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## Yanks French

WASHINGTON — Hitler's octopus-like tentacles are being rapidly cut off—what remains of them.

Yank armies are sweeping almost at will through former German-held territory in northern and southern France. Other American forces are setting traps for the utterly disorganized Nazi forces between Paris and the Coast. The British and Canadians are smashing those trapped in the Lisieux area and making rapid progress in a sweep toward Havre, to gain control of the robot-bomb coast.

Paris, Marseilles, and other leading French cities are in Allied hands. Hitler forces are in retreat toward the German borders from every section of their defense line. That is the picture of the Western front.

### Paris Fell

Paris came into the hands of the French Forces of the Interior—the French underground — on Wednesday, after four days of bloody street

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## Stimson Reports 261,589 Casualties

WASHINGTON — Army casualties in all theaters, up to August 6, as reported by the War Department, total 261,589.

Broken down in categories, these show:

Killed—48,880.

Wounded—125,931.

Missing—42,956.

Prisoners—43,822.

Of the wounded, 58,519 have returned to duty.

Casualties in Southern France, according to a preliminary report to August 20, total 2,975, with 1,221 killed and missing and 1,754 hospitalized.

Total American casualties of both ground and air forces in the Mediterranean area, from the time of the first landing on the Italian mainland through August 7, total 91,823. Broken down into categories, these show:

Killed—17,035.

Wounded—54,377.

Missing—20,411.

## Shell Had His Number But Didn't Get Him

LONDON — George C. McMillan, batman with an RCAF Typhoon wing, knows that you don't always get a shell even though it has your number on it.

While he was lying in his dugout, a jagged, ugly piece of shell casing landed right beside him. McMillan picked up the piece, and saw that it bore the number—267504. McMillan's eyes popped. His own service number is—267504.

## 'Come and Ride With Me In My Merry Jeepmobile'

"Come and Ride With Me in My Merry Jeepmobile" may be the title of a best-seller song after the war. Amendment to the Surplus War Property Disposal Bill, adopted by the House of Representatives, would permit service men and women and veterans to buy Army jeeps at "wholesale prices."

Sgt. Carl E. Loar was unscratched after 41 missions against the Japanese as a gunner on a medium bomber. Then, one day in New Guinea, he was on a scaffold working on a new mess hall. The Jap zeros came over on a strafing raid. One shot the scaffold from under him, and in the fall a ver-



—Signal Corps Photo

**GENERAL** Montgomery and General Eisenhower confer in France on the new attacks by American and British forces. Photo is one of the few showing Monte without his beret.

## Admiral King Congratulates Gen. Marshall

WASHINGTON — Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, United States Army, Wednesday received the following message from Adm. Ernest J. King, Commander-in-Chief, United States Fleet, and Chief of Naval Operations:

"Please accept my warmest personal congratulations to you, your commanders in the field and their forces who, with those of our Allies, have achieved a significant victory in France. The magnitude of the defeat imposed on German arms during these past weeks will be marked and long remembered as a triumph of notable effect on the hostilities in Europe. On behalf of the U. S. Navy I tender the admiration and appreciation due the skill, effort and teamwork of the forces you direct."

## Governors Point Out Vets' Opportunities

WASHINGTON — Following every war in this nation's history there has been a shift in population centers.

It's the old story of—"How do you expect to keep him down on a farm after he's seen Paree!"

The veterans of other wars have drifted west to the frontier country. Civil War veterans headed toward the Indian country. Spanish-American and World War veterans were the great homesteaders.

The veterans of this war won't be any different. They, too, will seek new frontiers, new worlds to live in. Alaska presents opportunities for thousands and the sparsely settled western states have been but slightly touched in the development of natural resources, reclamation projects and all the incidental industries and businesses that go hand-in-glove with them.

But for a great number the new frontiers they seek are right in the old home town, or in someone else's home town. America is still the land of undeveloped resources, of thousands of business opportunities.

In an effort to assist the many servicemen who are planning on settling in some part of the country other than that in which they were raised, Army Times this week presents the first two articles in a series prepared by the governors of the 48 states.

Besides voicing great optimism concerning the future, the governors

## First In, First Out Is Hershey's Plan

DENVER, Colo.—Men with longest service and with combat experience will be the first to go home at the war's end if Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, national director of Selective Service, has his way.

On a tour to confer with local draft boards in important centers, General Hershey declared he is unutterably opposed to the plan which prevailed in World War I of letting out the man who is nearest home or of releasing men on the basis of occupation.

"Justice and common-sense should prevail in our demobilization program," declared General Hershey. "Those who were first to respond to our country's call and have had the tough going overseas are the ones with entitlement for earliest release, with those men with families having priority."

Saying he was only guessing at the figures, General Hershey said victory over Germany should permit the gradual release from the services of one to two million men.

### Favors Military Training

Although Congressional action will govern any future reduction in volume of inductions, the General said he favored continuing taking physically qualified men indefinitely, possibly at the present rate of 70,000 to 100,000 a month. He emphasized that he has long favored military training.

Admitting that "gradual demobilization" is certain to prove unpopular because, when the war is over, "people want their boys to come home," General Hershey pointed out that in the 30 months since Pearl Harbor, men have been taken into the services at the rate of 1000 an hour for 70 hours each week.

"And if we let out 1000 an hour after the war, it will take 10 months to demobilize two to two and a half million men," said the General.

Saying that when the saturation point is reached, little would be gained by putting men out where they couldn't be reabsorbed, General Hershey expressed the opinion that it would be cheaper to keep men in the Army than it would be to set

up an agency to take care of them after release.

"Reabsorption of service men in peacetime economy after the war is one of the big problems before the country today," said the General. "And our best minds also will be confronted with the problem of reabsorbing the seventeen or eighteen million war workers. These are matters I am discussing with draft boards and other local folks on my tour."

## May Base Discharges On Points

WASHINGTON — The War Department is planning to release about two million men immediately after a German armistice according to Drew Pearson.

According to the story in his Washington Merry-Go-Round column under the White House-War Department plan, the Army will set up a point system for every man in the service, and men with sufficient points will be released.

Here is how the points will be calculated according to Mr. Pearson:

1. For each month in the service, every man will receive one point.
2. Each month overseas will count an additional point.

3. For each battle honor, a man will receive four points.

4. The Congressional Medal of Honor.

## FDR Hints Favors Unified Command After War Ends

WASHINGTON — Although avoiding definite commitment to the proposal of Senator Harry S. Truman's stand for a unified command for the Army and Navy, President Roosevelt at a recent press conference hinted he is in agreement with the suggestion.

The President, however, declared the question at this stage is in the process of study only and that nothing conclusive will be done until after the war.

Senator Truman, long an exponent of complete integration of the armed services, in a recent article in Collier's made the point that the separation of the services is costly not only in a military way, but especially in a monetary way.

reflect the sincere pride they take in their respective states.

Governors Chauncey Sparks, of Alabama, and Lester C. Hunt, of Wyoming, are the authors of articles in this issue. The articles appear on page six.

## Job Rights Of Veterans Prime Issue, VFW Told

CHICAGO — That the No. 1 right guaranteed service men by the Selective Service Law—restoration to the job the veteran had when he was called into military or naval service—will be sacredly guarded by and vigorously fought for by Selective Service was the statement of Col. Paul H. Griffith, chief of the veterans' personnel division of Selective Service, before the annual Veterans of Foreign Wars convention here yesterday.

Col. Griffith's declaration came following talks by William Green, president of the AFL, and Philip Murray, president of the CIO, in which the labor leaders referred to an agreement on employment rights entered into recently by the VFW with organized labor, which agreement has been criticized because of its failure to mention the No. 1 right guaranteed service men.

Taking exception with Murray's statement as to seniority rights built up by union members and other workers and of "efforts to substitute absolute priority" for veterans, Colonel Griffith declared:

"Under the law, the veteran is en-

titled to his job back period. That's what the law says, and it doesn't make any difference if the veteran displaces a man with greater seniority. He gets his job back without reference to any union agreement, or to union membership.

"My obligation is to enforce this law, and I intend to do it, unless some court decides I am wrong or unless Congress changes the law.

"I'm not anti-union, but I am pro-veteran. It's very fine to talk about the brotherhood of the veterans in uniform and the veterans in overalls—but there's a difference. I have yet to see one of the high-paid veterans on the home front who would trade places with the boys who have been storming the beaches of Europe and the South Seas and crawling on their bellies through the mud of a foxhole.

"There will be more and more of an effort to give preference to those who stayed at home in this war. We've got to be on our toes to see that the veterans of this war don't get kicked around as we were after the last one."

tebrae was broken. The sergeant is now recuperating at a Miami Beach, Fla., hospital.

"Maverick—unbranded cattle," says Webster's dictionary. But on Capitol Hill, "Maverick" stands for "Maury," "unbranded politician." The Texan, now chairman of the Smaller War Plants Corp., has just won his fight for throwing open the doors of the Nation's Capitol to the public from 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. each Sunday, with no guide fees to be paid by service men and women. War workers will be required to pay 15 cents and all others 25 cents for guide services.

(See "OFFICER," Page 2)

Copies of Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.

## GI Voting Law Is Amended

## Joe Can Read What He Pleases

WASHINGTON—Acting to put into effect recent amendments to Title V of the Servicemen's Voting Law, which greatly liberalize dissemination of books, magazines, newspapers, radio programs and moving pictures to the armed forces, the War Department has issued revised instructions.

Following the President's signature to the amended law, revised instructions were sent by the Adjutant General to the Commanding Generals of the Air, Ground, and Service Forces, all Defense Commands, and to Commanders of all theaters, defense commands, departments, and bases overseas. Commanders also were advised by radio that Title V has been "substantially amended" and were ordered to take "appropriate action" on receipt of the Adjutant General's detailed instructions.

The amended law provides that any material may be sold through Post Exchanges or purchased with company or other non-appropriated funds. There is no restriction on the domestic sale or distribution of books, magazines or newspapers of general circulation within the United States. Overseas, books, magazines and newspapers of general circulation within the United States and also those of general circulation within an overseas command, may be made available without restriction in the absence of a selection by the Army necessitated by the exigencies of war.

## Magazines in Kits

In the "kits" which it sends to men overseas, the Army will include magazines for which the soldiers have expressed a preference, or which are non-political, and in addition any soldier may subscribe directly to, or have sent to him, any publications he desires. The Army also will send books recommended by the Council on Books in Wartime, Inc., of which about 32 titles

a month are now being selected. There is no legal restriction on motion picture films, radio broadcasts or rebroadcasts, plays, or entertainment material as generally presented to the public in the United States, except that if the Army rebroadcasts a "political address" it must give equal time, if requested for such purpose, to representatives of each political party having a Presidential candidate in at least six States.

There is no restriction on written material for educational programs of the Army which is similar to written material generally provided for use in civilian educational programs in the United States.

Servicemen's publications, and motion pictures, radio programs, news services, and educational orientation courses originated by the Army must be "impartial and nonpartisan" in their coverage of news or information of public events and affairs and persons in public life. If in any such issue or presentation "space or time is allotted to editorials or columns supporting a political party which has a Presidential candidate in at least six States, an equal amount of space or time shall be allotted in the same issue or presentation to similar matter concerning each such other political party," the instructions read.

## Four Political Parties

At this date, this limitation would apply to the Democratic, Republican, Prohibition, and Socialist Parties, according to the War Department's present information.

## Award Presented Colonel's Widow

WASHINGTON—General George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, has presented the Distinguished Service Medal to Mrs. Alice Carey Silverthorne, widow of Col. Carl D. Silverthorne, who was killed in action last June at Saipan. Colonel Silverthorne, who was chief of the Pacific Theater Section of the Chief of Staff's Operations Division, was killed by an enemy sniper's bullet while acting as an observer for the Chief of Staff. He was the fourth officer of this division to be killed while on similar important missions for the Chief of Staff.

The presentation was made in General Marshall's office. Maj. Gen. James A. Ullo, U. S. Army, The Adjutant General, read the citation.

Colonel Silverthorne was born Oct. 15, 1898, in Lynchburg, Va., and was graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1923.

The medal, presented by Brig. Gen. G. M. Halloran, post commander, at a review of all Station Complement troops with Col. T. B. Birdsong, C. O. of the Prisoner of

The amended law provides that any material, not covered by the foregoing, which is paid for in whole or in part with Federal funds or sponsored by the Federal Government, must not, when considered in its entirety, contain political propaganda "obviously designed to affect the result of the Federal election or obviously calculated to create bias for or against a particular candidate in any such election."

In those cases where the selection by the Army of books, magazines, or newspapers is limited by difficulties of transportation or other exigencies of war, the Secretary of War has prescribed an impartial manner of selection. Such limited selection is now required only in the following cases:

1. Books of general circulation in the United States distributed periodically overseas by Special Services Division, Army Service Forces: The Special Services Division will select such books only from those recommended by the Council on Books in Wartime, Inc.

2. Magazines of general circulation in the United States distributed periodically overseas by Special Services Division, Army Service Forces: Magazines which may contain political matter will be selected by the Special Services Division from those of general circulation in the United States for which a soldier preference has already been determined. The Special Services Division will check from time to time the preference so determined and make appropriate adjustments.

3. Newspapers of general circulation in the United States sent overseas in bulk or printed in overseas commands as overseas editions: Such newspapers will be selected for distribution in any overseas theater by the theater commander on the basis of soldier preference as established in such theater by him or on the basis of recommendation of an expert committee appointed by him.



—Signal Corps Photo  
DURING his visit to France, Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson spent considerable time discussing the progress of the French campaign with Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley (left) and Lt. Gen. George S. Patton.

## Patch, 7th Army Head, Is Lt. General Nominee

WASHINGTON—President Roosevelt has nominated for promotion to lieutenant general Maj. Gen. Alexander M. Patch, Jr., commander of the Seventh American Army now invading France. General Patch holds the temporary rank of major general and his present permanent rank is colonel of infantry.

Brig. Gen. James G. Christiansen of Portland, Ore., Chief of Staff of the Army Ground Forces, was named for promotion to major general.

Brig. Gen. William Frazer Tamm of Richmond, Va., chief of the Army's special planning division for the postwar period, also was nominated to be a major general.

Among those nominated for promotion from colonel to brigadier general were Carroll O. Bichelhaup.

of New York City and Arthur G. Turdeau of Leonia, N. J.

Brigadier generals of the Army nominated for promotion to major generals included the following:

Donald A. Stroh, Harrisburg, Pa.; Ben M. Sawbridge, Yakima, Wash.; Clinton F. Robinson, Toledo; Paul L. Williams, South Pasadena, Calif.; Walter A. Wood, Jr., Sacramento, Calif.; Samuel E. Anderson, Greenboro, N. C.; Verne D. Mudge, Fellsmere, Fla.; Sidney P. Spalding, Lowell, Mass.

## For Brigadier Generals

Ernest Moore, Carruthersville, Mo.; Robert S. Israel, Jr., San Antonio; Thomas C. Darcy, Boston; George D. Pence, born at Fort Morgan, Ala.; Roy C. L. Graham, Candia, N. H.; William W. Ford, Waverly, Va.; George H. Decker, Catskill, N. Y.; Robert M. Cannon, Salt Lake City; John F. Uncles, Columbus, Ga.; Riley F. Ennis, Paulding, Ohio; Burdette M. Fitch, Kansas City; John Paul McConnell, Booneville, Ark.; Winslow C. Morse, Los Angeles; Robert G. Card, Chevy Chase, Md.; Carter B. Magruder, Shawfield, Va.; Alvina R. Luedcke, El Dorado, Tex.; George W. Sliney, Thermopolis, Wyo.; Homer L. Sanders, born at Henderson, Tex.; Joe L. Loutzenheiser, Canton, Ohio; Truman C. Thompson, Hawkins, Wis.; Evans R. Crookwell, Knoxville, Tenn.; Charles E. Hart, born at Fort Washington, Md.; William L. Ritter, Hartford City, Ind.; John F. McIntyre, Philadelphia; and Edward N. Backus, Brownsville, Tex.

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## Battle Sure On Disposal Bill

WASHINGTON—Decision as to the machinery for disposal of upward of 100 billion dollars in surplus war goods has struck a snag in the Congress.

No sooner had the House passed its bill Tuesday setting up a one-man surplus property administrator at \$12,000 a year to direct all sales than the Senate Military Affairs Committee reported out a bill calling for an eight-man board, members to be ap-

pointed by the President and each to receive \$10,000 a year.

Another point at issue between the two branches is that of "overseeing" of sales by the Congress. The Senate wants a bill that will provide for two Senators and two Representatives to be named as observers in the handling of all disposals, but the House has rejected this proposal.

While no official statement was issued by the Senate Military Affairs

Committee on its stand, Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney, of Wyoming, following the executive session at which the new bill was agreed upon, said "the committee felt that disposal of such vast property involved complex problems that the authority was too great to place in one man," and that "all sections and economic interests in the country should have a voice in the policy-making."

The House bill as passed requires that all receipts from surplus sales be placed in a special fund to be used only for reducing the national debt, instead of going to pay running expenses; forbids the Navy to sell or otherwise dispose of any combat vessels, naval stations or establishments without specific authority of Congress, and forbids the sale of any government-owned rubber plant, oil pipe line or aluminum plant which cost five million dollars or more until six months after the proposed sale has been submitted to Congress for study.

A break for GI Joe came in adoption by the House of a proposal that those who served in uniform may buy any surplus item after the war at the same unit price as big-lot buyers.

As to the Senate-approved George Reconversion Bill, the House Ways and Means Committee on Wednesday voted to eliminate the clause that would have provided jobless benefits for 3,000,000 Federal employees. On the previous day, the committee had voted to delete the reemployment and retraining section of the George bill.

## Monte Says:

## 'War's End in Sight, Let's Finish Off Business Quick'

WITH BRITISH AND CANADIAN ARMIES IN FRANCE.—In a stirring message to Allied troops, couched in typical "Monte language" and concluding with the encouraging statement—"The end of the war is in sight; let's finish off the business in record time,"—Gen. Sir. Bernard L. Montgomery on Monday issued a communication of which the following is the text:

On Aug. 11, I spoke to officers and men of the Allied armies in northwest France. I said we must "write off" the powerful German force that was causing us so much trouble. We must finish with it once and for all and so hasten the end of the war.

And today, ten days later, it has been done.

The German armies in northwest France have suffered a decisive defeat. The destruction of enemy personnel and equipment in and about the so-called "Normandy pocket" has been terrific. And it is still going on. Any enemy units that manage to get away still will not be in fit condition to fight again for months. There are still many surprises in store for the fleeing remnants.

The victory has been definite, complete and decisive.

As soldiers we all want to pay our tribute to the Allied air forces. I doubt if ever in the history of war air forces have had such opportunities or have taken such good advantages of them. The brave and brilliant work of the pilots has aroused our greatest admiration. Without their support, we soldiers could have achieved no success.

Where all have done so well, it is difficult to single out any for special praise.

As a British general, I can speak for all the soldiers of the Empire and can express our highest admiration for the brave fighting qualities of the American Army in the opening stages of the "break-in"

battle on July 25 and the following days. And we followed with tremendous enthusiasm their great achievements during the wheel of the right flank almost to the gates of Paris. We never want to fight alongside better soldiers.

As Allied commander and the overall commander of land forces under General Eisenhower, I can praise the fighting qualities and tenacity in battle of British, Canadian and Polish troops on the eastern flank. They fought the enemy relentlessly and took a heavy toll of him during the whole great battle.

But surely it matters little who did this or that. All that matters is that it was well and truly done by the whole Allied team.

The proper motto of the Allies should be: "One for all and all for one."

And that is our motto.

I want to thank you all for the way you responded to the call.

The victory in northwest France south of the Seine marks the beginning of the end of German military domination of France.

Much still remains to be done but it will now be done the more easily.

Finish Job Quickly

And what is next?

Having brought disaster to German forces in northwest France, we must now complete the destruction of such of his forces as are available to be destroyed. After knowing what has happened to their armies in northwest France, it is unlikely that these will now come to us, so we will go to them.

"The Lord mighty in battle" has given us victory.

News is very good from the war fronts all over the world.

The end of the war is in sight. Let us finish off the business in record time.

Signed, B. L. MONTGOMERY.  
General Commander in Chief,  
the Twenty-first Army Group.



—Signal Corps Photo  
ARTILLERY observation post near Barenton, France, keeps Germans under watchful eye as they give information to the gun crews that will start another American push.

# THE SATURDAY EVENING POST

## GOES TO FIGHTING MEN IN 3 DIFFERENT FORMS!

The Saturday Evening Post is reaching the fighting fronts by hundreds of thousands—going out there where reading is worth more than its weight in gold—and where, next to home, a man wants news of home more than anything else on earth.

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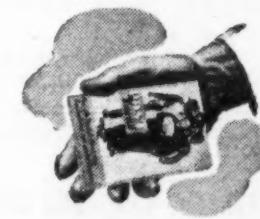


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Bill—the bus driver

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**Army-Navy Merger**

The increased interest in the subject of post-war Compulsory Military Training accents the need for an Army-Navy merger.

Although a great deal of study will be given the Military Training question before any action is taken many of the nation's political and military leaders feel that this training is necessary in view of the unpreparedness on December 7, 1941.

In view of the Army's testimony on the Army-Navy merger hearing this training would be facilitated by a union of the armed forces. The over-lapping of supply and equipment, which has characterized the two forces in the past, could not be tolerated in a program of that size.

The Army has consistently gone on record favoring the merger. The Navy has either dodged the issue or expressed an unfavorable attitude.

In fighting and winning this war Navy and Army personnel in combat areas have been able to coordinate their activities to the advantage of both and the disadvantage of the enemy.

With this tried and proved coordinated efficiency on the record the unbending attitude of the Navy leaders must be questioned. It would be unfortunate to set up a program of the size demanded for a year of training for all American youth and have it marked by the continuance of over-lapping Army and Navy activities.

**Poetic Justice!**

In world history four years and seventy days isn't a long time—but 531 days under the heels of power-drunk fanatics is a different story.

Out of those terror-filled days came a wilful, organized people. Aided by Allied guns French patriots turned on their oppressors and recaptured their beloved Paris. Storming through the streets they rounded up German stragglers and traitors of Vichy.

The opposition was light as the bulk of the German defenders had fled before the lightning attacks of the Allied forces. But it was not a hollow victory. The pent-up emotions of the years had a chance to be released.

No doubt stories of atrocities will come out of this liberating blow. Years of boot-heel servitude cannot be forgotten in one fell-swoop. Yet we feel confident that the French wave displayed their humanitarian spirit and that the sheer joy of receiving the long-awaited freedom stayed many long-planned blows of revenge.

The oppressed have routed the oppressors—it is truly poetic justice.

**Political Security of This Nation**

Voting officers and Army newspapers are doing a job today which will be reflected in the future political security of this nation.

The privilege of voting has been sadly neglected by too great a share of the American public. A part of this neglect is due to a lack of education on the actual mechanics of voting. This fault is being rectified today by the untiring efforts of voting officers and Army newspapers.

Regardless of the political implications in the coming election of this "Get Out and Vote" movement the results of this campaign will be reflected in all future elections. Army Times congratulates those responsible for their sincere efforts.

**Rommel Dead and Buried**

LIVAROT SUR VIE, Normandy — The reports a month ago of the shall Erwin Rommel are substantially Erwin Rommel are substantially by well-authenticated stories here, despite Nazi denials.

Marcel Lescene, local druggist and mayor of the town, the first man who treated Rommel, asserts that the German leader died without recovering consciousness. His injuries were received when an Allied plane bombed his staff car.

Lescene says that, on the evening of July 17, a car pulled up in the

town and a distraught officer asked for the village doctor. When the doctor was not available, the wounded marshall was brought into his shop and that he did what little he could for him. But Rommel's wounds were exceedingly severe and he died some little time later.

"The Germans made great efforts to keep the Marshall's death a secret," Lescene said. "Even going so far as to assure some in the know that he was alright." He asserted that Rommel's body was flown secretly to Berlin for burial.

**Dead End****At Your Service**

Q. When I am discharged, will the Army pay my fare home?

A. The Army pays the fare to place of induction or enlistment.

Q. I have one son in the Army and receive \$37 a month family allowance. My other son has been supporting me for a year and is now joining the Navy. Can he send me an allotment, too?

A. If the fact of dependency is established by certificate, your second son may also file for family allowance. If he has been your chief support for the past year, he may file his application on that basis and if approved, you would receive \$50, of which \$22 would be from the soldier.

Q. My son's APO has been discontinued. Where can I write to get his new APO number?

A. Write to the Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C. giving soldier's full name and Army serial number, and his present address will be sent to you. This service is available only to close relatives of the soldier.

Q. My husband is a private in the Army. Where can I write to get confinement care? My home is in Massachusetts.

A. Write to Division of Child Hygiene, Dept. of Public Health, 73 Tremont street, Boston 14, Mass.

Q. My husband is a S/Sgt. and has cut my allotment from \$75 to \$40. Can I file for family allowance to make up the difference?

A. If your husband was a S/Sgt. prior to Nov. 1 1943 and is drawing rental allowance in lieu of quarters for his dependents, you cannot file for family allowance. A soldier may not draw both rental allowance and family allowance, and the choice of which he shall draw is left to the soldier. If he did not reach grade of S/Sgt until after Nov. 1, 1943 he would not be allowed to draw rental allowance and if you wished you could file for family allowance.

Answers to the above questions were furnished by the Public Relations Officer, First Service Command, Boston, Mass.

Q. What is the basis for pensions for disability?

A. Pensions are based on the percentage of disability and run from 10 percent to 100 percent in multiples of 10. For instance, a veteran with a 10-percent disability would receive a monthly sum equal to 10 percent of that granted for total disability. In addition there are special rates and allowances for specific injuries and more seriously disabling conditions. No additional disability pension is payable for dependents.

Q. What is the basis for retirement pay and how do you need to serve to be eligible?

A. If you are an officer of the Regular Army, or an enlisted man of the

Army Times presents herewith an Information Bureau on GI matters of all kinds, conducted weekly by the American Legion.

Answers will be furnished by the American Legion through this column to all questions pertaining to allotments, compensation claims, hospitalization, legislation, vocational training, employment opportunities, insurance matters, veterans' organizations, and anything and everything pertaining to the needs and welfare of servicemen and women, veterans and their dependents.

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Regular Army with more than 20 years' service, and incur a disability in line of duty, you may be retired at three-quarter base pay and longevity. In such cases you will be paid by the Chief of Finance, War Department. If you are an officer other than an officer of the Regular Army and qualify for retirement pay because of disability in line of duty, payments will be made by the Veterans Administration.

Q. Am I allowed to wear decorations and service ribbons on my civilian clothes after being discharged from the Army?

A. Yes, you may wear decorations and service ribbons which have been awarded to you, on your uniform on ceremonial occasions, or on your civilian clothes when desired. These have been awarded in recognition of service you have rendered.

Q. What is Form 53?

A. When you are discharged you will receive your Discharge Certificate and a completed copy of WD/AGO Form 53 (Report of Separation). That means War Department, Adjutant General's Office Form 53, and contains full details about yourself and your military service. Both are very important and valuable documents.

Q. What is meant by the Personal Affairs Officer?

A. At every post, camp, and station there is a Personal Affairs Officer, says WD Pamphlets No. 21-4, who is there to help you, or your dependents, with any problems of discharge and demobilization.

Q. Where do I write or find out about war bonds bought by deduction from my pay?

A. Any inquiries regarding War Bonds purchased by deduction from your pay should be sent to Army War Bond Office, 366 West Adams street, Chicago, Ill.

Q. What preference is given to veterans in getting civil service jobs?

A. In the Federal Civil Service, a veteran is entitled to five points' preference in an examination for appointment, and a veteran with service-connected disability is entitled to 10 points.

**Letters**

Gentlemen:

In your letters column I read an argument put forth in defense of "Geronimo," my dog and the former mascot of the 507th Parachute Infantry, an outfit that is now giving an excellent account of itself overseas. Geronimo is at present a jumping member of the First Battalion, 515th Parachute Infantry.

May I add a little bit to the argument by stating that Geronimo is an official member of the K-9 Corps, duly sworn in and registered in Omaha, Neb., May 23, 1943. He was made a sergeant for his cooperation in selling over \$2,000,000 worth of War Bonds, but has since been reduced to yardbird for 25 days AWOs.

He was the first dog eligible to wear wings for five jumps. He has been jumping approximately two years with ten official jumps and four unofficial test jumps before crowds totaling over 500,000 people. He is still jumping and selling War Bonds.

By the way 507ers, we still have a hard job keeping Geronimo away from the bottle. He pulls a fast one on us now and then and manages to get some unsuspecting trooper to buy a few brews. He winds up going on a helluva spree.

He is going to be a papa in a few days. The mother of his pups, also a German shepherd, belongs to me. Geronimo isn't worried as she is under the care of the Camp Mackall veterinarian.

Perhaps some day soon my friend in New Guinea and I may drink a toast to 507, a group of fighting Americans Uncle Sam can be proud of.

SGT. KENNETH C. WILLIAMS,  
Camp Mackall, N. C.

Gentlemen:

I have noted with considerable interest the letters about the youngest veteran of World War I and would like very much to learn who really is the youngest veteran of World War I who also served in World War II. In this connection I believe my own record of service will be in the running.

I was born March 13, 1903, and enlisted in the Army April 27, 1918. Served in France with the 9th AA Battery, discharged April 18, 1919. Again enlisted in the Army December 10, 1919, for service in Siberia, discharged December 29, 1920. Was commissioned April 18, 1942, and retired July 30, 1944, for physical disability.

How about starting a survey to ascertain who is the youngest World War Veteran to also serve in World War II? I'm sure it would be of interest to a great many.

Maj. William F. Kaumer, Jr.,  
St. Petersburg, Fla.

(Anyone who can top Major Kaumer's record please send it in.—Ed.)

Gentlemen:

I have just read an article stating that Congress is making plans for demobilization when Germany is defeated. The order of demobilization suggested was as follows: 1. Disabled veterans. 2. Combat men. 3. Married men.

With the first two I agree heartily, but do disagree heartily with number 3.

A certain group of men thought enough of their country to volunteer even before Selective Service went into effect. They joined the Armed Forces when a lot of other men were hunting up girls to marry just so they could stay out. And now these men are thought of first.

Are the men who have spent three to four years in service already to be relegated to the background while the married men are discharged? I think that is unfair.

Many of these men who volunteered have spent a year or more out of United States. Some of them have seen action. Yet they are forgotten when legislation for demobilization is proposed.

Something should be done and done soon. I know men of this type are wondering what good it is to volunteer if they are treated this way.

H. C.,  
Leesville, La.

THE War Food Administration is organizing a campaign to collect 1,500,000 pounds of milkweed floss to take the place of war-scarce kapok in life-jackets.



"I'm depending on you old men to be a steady influence for the replacements."

## Irving Berlin Gives His New Song Radio Premiere

WASHINGTON—"There Are No Wings on a Fox Hole," composed by Irving Berlin and dedicated to the men of the United States Infantry, recently had its American radio premiere when it was sung by Mr. Berlin over the "Army Hour" broadcast.

The song first was introduced by Mr. Berlin at the Royal Opera House in Rome, where "This Is the Army" was playing. Mr. Berlin, who recently returned to this country, will soon rejoin "This Is the Army," which will be presented in other theaters of operation.

The words to the new song are:

There are no wings on a fox hole  
If it's where you happen to be;  
While the shells are flying it's  
doing

Or dying for the men of the  
Infantry.

There are no wheels on your  
tootsies

When you march from night  
till dawn;

Twenty miles of hiking is not to  
your liking

But the foot soldier marches on.

There's a sharp end on your rifle  
When you're close to your  
enemy;

At that close-up meeting there  
is no

Retreating for the men of the  
Infantry.

The words to the new song are:

There are no wings on a fox hole  
If it's where you happen to be;  
While the shells are flying it's  
doing

Or dying for the men of the  
Infantry.

## Army Quiz

1. A mouse well-known to fans in United States played an important part in the first days of the European invasion. Can you explain?

2. The War Department reported that there are now 226,416 war prisoners in the United States, in addition to prisoners taken and held elsewhere. How would you say this figure compared with the number of U. S. soldiers taken prisoners by enemy countries?

- A. Twice as many?
- B. Three and half times?
- C. Five times?

3. Where is the Seventh American Army now located?

- A. In Italy?
- B. In Australia?
- C. In France?

4. Four main methods of getting Psychological Warfare messages to the enemy are used by Allied PW men. Can you name them?

5. The "Hole Puncher" is the nickname given to a new American weapon just introduced successfully on one of the fighting fronts. Would you say it was—

A. A new type of bomb used to smash up Jap railroad lines in Burma?

B. The rocket-projectile now being used on the P-47 Thunderbolt?

C. A new invasion gun mounted on the Sherman M-4 tanks?

6. Allied forces fought their way into Florence, Italy, two weeks ago. Would you say that they are at Florence as far from the border of Germany as—

- A. Washington to New York?
- B. Washington to Buffalo?
- C. Washington to New Orleans?

7. Maj. Gen. Philip Hayes, commanding general of the Third Service Command, recently made public some figures covering the value of the Command, which comprises 850 installations in three states, as a physical plant. Would you think the total value was—

- A. \$76,000,000?
- B. \$750,000,000?
- C. More than a billion dollars?

8. One Russian army opened a drive on Cracow last week. That city is strategically important because it is—

- A. Poland's largest oil center?
- B. The last main defense point left to the Nazis in Poland?
- C. The ancient capital of Poland?

9. Japanese Neisei have distinguished themselves fighting with the American Fifth Army in Italy. Members of the Isel have also distinguished themselves similarly in the Pacific area.

Is the second statement true or false?

10. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell was

## Saves Souls from Ocean Graves

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—Chaplain (1st Lt.) Harold Charles, now a patient at the England General Hospital served with the 2nd Corps Combat Engineers from the time they landed at Oran in North Africa until he was wounded at Anzio in Italy. He landed with them on the beachheads, walked with them while they cleared the mine fields, tended them at the aid stations, and went out with them on the night patrols.

A chaplain in the Army doesn't always preach, he said. He lives, he comes to the point quickly. For example, when the transport from which he was disembarking at Oran was bombed and started to sink, he had to do more than just calm the nerves of the boys who jumped into the water. They had to be saved and the scene was hardly suited to a sermon. The chaplain dived into the ocean and saved many of them.

He recalled the times when he gave first aid to the men in the field. There were times when he would carry supplies like any other GI. At Hill 606 near Matera he did little except dig graves day and night.

last week promoted to be the sixth active American four-star general. Can you name the other five?

(See "Quiz Answers," Page 17)

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—Recently returned from the Aleutians, where he spent two and one-half years at three posts, Col. James M. Moore has been assigned to the 65th Division. The colonel is now on detached service to the 65th Division Headquarters.

## SCHOOLS & COLLEGES

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## Birthday Greetings

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It was with much pleasure that I noted Army Times had passed its fourth anniversary.

Here in the United Kingdom, we value highly publications such as Army Times which not only helps to portray the work of the Air Transport Command, but brings us news of other Army activities throughout the world.

May your newspaper continue to flourish, now in wartime and presently in peace.

EARL S. HOAG,

Brigadier General, U. S. Army, Commanding

HEADQUARTERS, FOURTH ARMY

Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

The Commanding General Fourth Army has asked me to convey to you his congratulations on completion of the fourth year of your publication, the Army Times.

The General has watched, with interest, the growth of the Army Times, with its timely stories, pictures and impartial, well-balanced presentation of news which has held the interest of all ranks of the armed forces.

Congratulations and best wishes for your continued success.

L. B. KEISER,

Brigadier General, G. S. C. Chief of Staff

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PICTURES of high-ranking Nazis discovered in a French hotel formerly occupied by German officers are being examined by American soldiers. Judging by his expression, the GI on the right seems to be saying to Hitler: 'Well, boy, you're getting just what you asked for. How do you like it?'

—Signal Corps Photo

## Alabama Offers Veteran Opportunities

By Governor Chauncey Sparks

Alabama's future is both an opportunity and a challenge to veterans of the present conflict: an opportunity to share in the new development which is certain to come, and a challenge to take part in producing this development. Alabama, in the past, has been poor in the wealth represented by money but rich in natural wealth. As never before, the state is looking ahead and planning for developments which will translate its real wealth of natural resources into the wealth of money and of a higher standard of living.

It is not my intention to present an ad-writer's paradise — you who read this will not be taken in by high-powered propaganda. It is my intention to present in a mature fashion the opportunities which exist in Alabama, and the probable lines of future development. Every state is faced with its own peculiar problems which are vexing and difficult to solve. Alabama is no exception,

but it recognizes its problems and is attempting to arrive at a solution. Many of these problems will disappear automatically as the state becomes more industrialized and the income of the people increases. More than offsetting these problems are the fine opportunities in agriculture for producing new crops, the certainty of much new industrial development, and the resources for making these opportunities possible. Alabama is entering into a new era of progress; the beginning has been

expect future development in the plastics field.

Alabama always has been, and still is, predominantly agricultural. Even with increased industrialization in the future, it is probable that farming will continue to constitute an important source of income. The state may well look forward to higher farm income in the future through increased mechanization, better and more scientific methods, greater diversification of products, and more emphasis on those crops for which there is a large state and regional market. The farmer of the future with vision and imagination will find agriculture a satisfying livelihood and a steady source of income.

### INDUSTRY

For the veteran who wishes to make his home in Alabama after the war, probably the brightest employment or investment opportunity exists in the industrial field. Iron and steel production and by-products, the leading industry in Alabama, is of natural importance. Centered in and around the Birmingham area, this industry provides work for thousands of employees and creates job opportunities in many other lines of business. Subject to national demand and affected by national economic conditions this industry offers employment opportunities to the skilled artisan, the technician, or the business man who wishes to provide a service to those industrially employed. The textile industry is also an important source of employment.

Other industries hold out great hope for future development. Aluminum production has already become significant in Alabama. The manufacture of industrial chemicals, already a part of the State's economy, faces an optimistic future. An entirely different type of product, and one which is yet only in its developmental stage, is the "Alayam" or Alabama sweet potato. Products from this common farm vegetable include cereal, candy, cookies, and similar packaged foods. If these Alayam products meet the public fancy, they will provide a new and valuable source of income for both farmers and processing plants.

Alabama is particularly fortunate in that the postwar need for construction of houses, repairs, sewerage systems, and for various consumers' goods will stimulate the steel and aluminum industries, the lumber business, mining, and transportation, and the results will be felt in all phases of the economic system. These needs will be nationwide but the source of supply will be limited, and Alabama will reap the harvest as a supply source for certain of these needed goods.

### MARKET EXPANSION

Alabama is one of the states having a high rate of natural increase of population. A relatively high birth rate coupled with a death rate which is slightly below the national average has produced the steady growth of the state. Although population growth is not, of itself, either desirable or undesirable, it is significant in determining the size of the potential market. The capitalistic economy of this nation has always been geared to an expanding market. Such expansion is no longer possible in some lines and very difficult in some states. However, Alabama and the South may expect a continued population increase for several decades, which will mean an expanding market. As industry moves into this state, and as new industries are ventured here, more Alabamians will remain in their home state and more persons will be attracted from states which have reached the peak of population and industrial growth and which offer less opportunity.

Alabama won't make your living for you, but it will give you the chance to succeed in any of the many lines: diversified crops; Alayam products; beef cattle; dairying; aluminum products; construction; steel products; business, finance, investments, and real estate; the professions; and many others. The field is open — take your choice. The currently popular song hit "That's What I Like About the South" might well be changed to read "That's What I Like About Alabama."



Governor Sparks

made, plans are being developed, and the end of the war will mark the release of energies needed for this new era.

### AGRICULTURE

More and more it is being recognized that "forty acres and a mule" are not conducive to a high level of income for the farmer. Too many farms are too small to be an economic unit and consequently the income is proportionately low. But for the veteran who plans to return home from the war and enter into farming, Alabama offers many advantages if he will acquire the size of farm comparable with those of some states.

Annual rainfall averages more than fifty inches, and is well scattered throughout the year. There is no problem of irrigation. Few states have a growing season as long or longer than Alabama, with its average of 250 days per year. This ranges from 200 days in the northern part of the state to 300 days in the southern section, and permits two or more harvests per year.

Alabama is no longer a one or even a three-crop state. Although still an important crop, cotton has declined from its one-time position, and the importance of diversification has long been recognized. As a cash crop, peanuts are now second in rank, next only to cotton. Sweet potatoes are coming into their own as nutrition experts realize their high food-value and vitamin-content.

The list of other vegetables grown in Alabama is too long to itemize, but truck crops constitute a sizable portion of farm production. Dairying is a relatively new industry in this state, and as such it is rapidly growing. Although the value of dairy products sold increased from five million dollars in 1924 to over nine million dollars in 1941, the production is still less than enough to take care of Alabama needs for dairy products. Consequently, the opportunity for scientific dairying is great. Beef cattle production is also increasing, but Alabama farmers are by no means supplying the 185 million pounds of packing house meat consumed annually in Alabama. This consumption would provide a market for livestock valued at approximately 37 million dollars.

### FORESTRY

Forestry constitutes a major source of income in Alabama, especially for farmers. In 1941 the value of the rough green lumber cut was in excess of \$50,000,000, which did not include the added value after seasoning or processing. Possibly more important than this are the industries created by the supply of timber, such as the pulp paper industry. And Alabama may

## Wyoming Holds Much for Ex-Servicemen

By Governor Lester C. Hunt

Following World War One Wyoming witnessed an influx of service men on reclamation projects being developed at that time. Many came and entered other endeavors. War and travel seemed to have awakened in the service man a pioneer spirit and many broke their old home ties after the last war to settle in the West. Wyoming being one of the least populous of the states received a goodly influx of ex-service men. They were young, vigorous and with the spirit of adventure in their blood they came, settled down and made up a segment of our population that has figured prominently in the development of the State.

That same spirit of adventure will again lurk in the hearts and minds of the ex-service men of World War Two and we can reasonably expect another westward migration. These men will again be of an age and with the adventurous spirit to do things—young fellows with vision and a will to accomplish the jobs before them. Wyoming salutes the service people of our fighting forces.

### RECLAMATION

In scanning the possibilities of the postwar era, one of the greatest potential possibilities within the bounds of Wyoming is the development of our vast reclamation program. It contemplates in the overall picture the irrigation of more than a million acres of new lands and supplemental water supply for thousands of acres of lands which now have an inadequate supply due to the lack of storage facilities.

The work of construction on these projects will furnish work for hundreds of men in building the storage dams to hold back the water for irrigation and the building of ditches to carry the water to the lands. The development of hydro-electric plants in connection with the storage and diversion dams will also constitute a vast development. It will furnish thousands of man hours in the construction program and will develop cheap power for new industries and the expansion of our rural electrification program.

Basin-wide studies have been made by the Bureau of Reclamation in cooperation with the State Planning and Water Conservation Board, and the Wyoming Postwar Planning Committee is now planning the promotional features, basin-wide development, following up with a vigorous campaign on individual projects by the communities to be directly benefited.

Such a program contemplates the use of the taxpayers' money, but it has redeeming features in that all the money expended will flow back into the national treasury as the farm units are sold to the settlers. Besides the fact that the construction costs are returned, millions of



Governor Hunt

the ex-service man with vision and confidence in the future of Wyoming and the nation will find great natural resources to be developed. It is a pioneering job.

The State has great deposits of coal and numerous oil fields. We have twelve national forests with billions of feet of lumber. We have vast untouched deposits of iron, titanium, magnesium, chromium, copper, lucite, phosphate rock, benthonite, and other important metals and clays.

With these potential resources, coupled with the possibilities of development of hydroelectric and cheap steam power, excellent transportation facilities to key terminals and shifting markets, the possibilities for the postwar prosperity stagger the imagination.

Development of Wyoming's vast resources is a pioneering job, and to bring the industrial frontier westward is a huge task, with many opposing forces working against such a tremendous undertaking. It must be accomplished against resistance and false economic patterns long established.

## Profitable Hike

NAHANT, Mass.—A recent conditioning hike at Fort Buckner made Capt. Princely Hastings \$500 richer.

More observant than his buddies, Hastings' glance was attracted by the luminous gleam of three stones. He retrieved a ring from the road; turned it in to his commanding officer; was informed it was valued at \$10,000 to \$12,000, and told the insurance company would reward him with \$500.

## Worth Much More

SALIDA, Colo.—Salida Rotary Club announces it will pay a reward of \$100 to anyone who will shoot Adolf Hitler on or before September 10. That deadline on the reward was set because the club announced some time back that it planned to be the first group to hold obsequies for Der Fuehrer and that it had set September 11 as the date for its "Jubilation."



POPULAR 'Black Jack' is called 'Vingt-et-Un' (21) by the French, but under whatever name, this game of chance is interesting and coin-absorbing to these men of a Signal Company in France. You guessed it, Joe, a Sergeant has the deal.

—Signal Corps Photo

## Officer Is Small Chap But He Certainly Proved 'Big' Fighter

(Continued from Page 1)

Diminutive 1st Lt. Eanes B. Brophy, of San Antonio, Tex., claims the title of "smallest officer in the Eighth Service Command." Assigned to the Army Service Forces Training Center at Camp Claiborne, La., he tips the scales at 107 pounds and is a mere five feet four inches in height. A veteran of World War I, in which he participated in seven major engagements, he weighed but 99 pounds at the time of that enlistment.

The story to end all fish stories was told by Capt. Paul Campbell, of Block Island, R. I. Dragging with his 36-foot fishing boat, Campbell felt so pronounced a tug on his line that he thought he had a whale. The gunwale dipped toward the water line, he cut loose his \$400 drag gear to save his ship. Just then, a submarine surfaced about a quarter mile astern. The incident was confirmed by the Navy.

Pvt. Richard Martin is living testimonial that this is a small world. In Tunisia, some one stole his jeep. In France, he thumbed a ride in a jeep, decided the seat felt familiar, and scratched the paint off part of the hood. There were his name and serial number. Moving on, he escaped death by inches in the battle of Hill 95 in Normandy and was flown back to a hospital in England for removal of shell splinters. When he awoke the nurse bending over him was his wife, Lt. Betty Martin.

Designed to hold up pistols, not pants, generals in the Army are now being issued a super Sam Browne belt with two holsters so they can better pack their revolvers. Snaps make it adjustable so it can be worn over any number or combination of

## Anzio Veterans Of 5th Army In Invasion Forces

ROME.—American infantry divisions that invaded southern France have been identified as the Third, Thirty-sixth and Forty-fifth—all veterans of the Anzio beachhead campaign and formerly part of the Fifth Army.

Troops of the United States First Airborne Force landed behind the German lines, an official announcement said.

The 3rd Infantry Division is commanded by Maj. Gen. John W. O'Daniel, the 36th Infantry by Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist and the 45th Infantry by Maj. Gen. William W. Eagles. The First Airborne Force is commanded by Maj. Gen. Robert T. Frederick.

## Here's What Joe and Jane Want for Xmas

WASHINGTON—Here's what servicemen and women would like for Christmas, according to inquiries made by OWI.

Soldiers in all the war theaters express a preference for money orders and wallets, pipes and tobacco, razor blades and small shaving kits, pocket-sized books and photographs in waterproof folders, cigarettes and cigars, automatic pencils, stationery, games, cards, puzzles, hard candy, soap, dried fruit, vacuum-packed nuts and wrist watches.

### Sailors Like Reading

Sailors say they want reading matter first of all, such as pocket-sized dictionaries, novels, mysteries, Westerns and humor—but no war stories; sneakers for showers and moccasin-type bedroom slippers; pocket knives with attachments; Bibles, alarm clocks, playing cards, dice, poker chips, insect repellants, small snapshots, toilet kits and shaving kits, foot powder, sun glasses, fountain pens, writing pads, fruit cake, tinned luxury foods like olives, sardines,

nuts; coat hangers, wash cloths, small homemade personal articles, steel mirrors and favorite tobacco mixtures.

Army nurses' wants seem to run to things to help in beautification, such as washable brunch coats, clothespins, buttons, needles, thread, mending equipment, lingerie, bobby pins, hair nets, elastic, cosmetics of all kinds, tinned delicacies, hard candies and nuts in tins, tinned biscuits, scented soaps, khaki neckties of wool-rayon.

Navy nurses would like Christmas decorations and birthday decorations for parties, starch, silk stockings of white black or beige, underclothes which don't have to be ironed, play shoes, sneakers, boudoir slippers, bathing suits, records and sheet music, books, kerchiefs, sports equipment, magazine subscriptions.

The Wacs would like sheer stockings first of all, then zippers and elastic girdles.

The Office of War Information reminds that overseas gifts for men and women in the service should be mailed between September 15 and October 15 and marked "Christmas Parcel."

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## Negro Nurses Now in ETO

WASHINGTON.—The first contingent of Negro officers of the Army Nurse Corps to be assigned to the European Theater of Operations has arrived in England for active nursing duty in that theater, the War Department announced.

Consisting of 63 nurses selected from various Army hospitals in the States, the unit came down the gangplank to be greeted by Brig. Gen. Benjamin O. Davis, America's ranking Negro officer, as they set foot on United Kingdom soil for the first time.

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**SWIFT** airborne and amphibious operation against Jap-held Noemfoor Island, west of Biak, brought U. S. forces 100 miles nearer the Philippines. Paratroopers had exciting experiences, as shown by this trooper caught in a treetop.

## 'Wild' for White Ideas!

## Cannibals Just 'Regular Folks'

CAPE GLOUCESTER, New Britain — Dark-skinned, bushy-haired Melanesians, who inhabit New Britain, generally are not the savage, head hunting creatures you see in movies or read about in books.

The Melanesians, in fact, are regular fellows once you get to know them and learn to appreciate their habits and customs.

Simple in mannerisms, slow in gestures, crude in workmanship, the natives live an easy and unrestrained life, free from the complications of a civilized world such as reporting for work each morning at 8 o'clock, meeting monthly car payments or filing income tax forms.

The Melanesians are of medium stature, hardly as dark as other native races in the West Pacific. Bodies of many are scaly from skin diseases. Tattoo marks line the faces and arms.

### Fed Very Well

While some natives today enjoy a supplemental diet of Spam, corned beef and hard biscuits, they lived very well by their own agricultural efforts for hundreds of years before the coming of the white man.

Taro, known in Hawaii as poi, sometimes used in New Guinea and the Solomons as a medium of exchange, is the staff of life. Coconuts, citrus fruits, melons, papayas, pineapples, fish and wild game also are outstanding dishes.

Substitute for chewing gum is betel nut, the nut-seed of the East India areca palm, which turns the teeth coal black. Stained molars are characteristic of almost every Melanesian.

Clothing is a minor problem among the natives. Both kanakas and marys, or men and women, wear nothing above the waist. A loin cloth, sometimes called a laplap, draped around the waist is the latest style.

Limited knowledge which the Melanesians possess they owe mostly to the patient teaching of missionaries, who before the war conducted classes in pidgin English and Bible at outlying missions.

### Butcher Grammar

There is no official textbook on pidgin, a conglomeration of English and native terms. The idea behind pidgin seems to be the more you butcher grammar the better the natives understand.

Examples are: "Me been go" means "I have gone." "You catchem lampshoot" means "Do you have a flashlight?" "Sun he come up stop true me fella kai kai now," in English, means "When it is noon, we eat."

When war came to New Britain, the natives fled from their homes along the coast into the bush for their own safety.

Since the Allies have established control of Western New Britain, the natives have come out of hiding.

They are rebuilding their old villages, fishing in their old streams.

Presence of American soldiers has influenced native life considerably, bringing the Melanesians into closer touch with the civilized world than ever before.

Curious native boys drop around open air theaters to watch American movies. Although they understand little, or none, of the script,

it is a known fact the natives appreciate an eye full of Hollywood leg art as well as soldiers from Texas, Oklahoma or California.

This influence probably will last for generations. Old men will tell their sons exciting tales of war. A decade from now you will be able to find discarded canteen cups, mess gears and broken bayonets in almost every village.

## Found Natives, Now Christian, Who Had Eaten Missionaries

WASHINGTON.—Natives who had formerly been cannibals and "had eaten several missionaries," but had become Christian through the efforts of other missionaries, were visited by Chaplain John W. Evans, of the 131st Engineers, on an island "somewhere in the South Seas." Chaplain Evans tells of his experiences in a letter to the Chief of Chaplains.

Landing on an island not far from one of the American installations, he was greeted by a native who spoke English readily. An exchange of gifts brought friendliness immediately.

It transpired that Daniel, the native, was a native missionary, and the American chaplain was invited to preach to the local people in "Buelah Methodist Church." The church had over the door a picture of an angel in white reading from a Bible. Under the picture were the words: "God So Loved the World."

The natives were called to the

## Camp Kohler Will Close October 31

CAMP KOHLER, Calif.—Camp Kohler, home of the Western Signal Corps Training Center, and its allied school at Davis will be closed on or about October 31, Col. James W. Green, Jr., Kohler commandant, announces.

Most of the investment at Camp Kohler will be disposed of as surplus Army property, but there is a possibility the Kohler laundry will continue to be maintained. It is one of the largest installations in Northern California and serves not only Kohler but other military posts.

It is also possible the Camp Kohler Hospital, a 334-bed institution, will be kept intact for use by returning veterans through the Veterans Administration.

Camp Kohler was established July 28, 1942, utilizing buildings which had been constructed for use in one of the first moves in evacuating Japanese from the West Coast.

service by tones from a sea shell. Daniel interpreted while the chaplain preached. Then a native preacher spoke. His theme was the responsibility of the people there to carry ideas of God and the Christian life to other nations so that peace might come to the world.

The chief of the natives who was absent, preaching to other natives on a nearby island, had been a cannibal and had had his share of the missionaries who had "disappeared" in former days. Now he had become Christianized and believed in Christian brotherhood.

### Alcoa Map Gives New Idea of Air Routes

WASHINGTON—A new-type map, described as "Global Map for Global War and Global Peace," issued free to servicemen by Aluminum Company of America, has several features of special interest to servicemen.

The map proper is made on the basis of an azimuthal equidistant projection which gives a much more nearly accurate conception of air directions and distances than the type usually presented in atlases. It illustrates the type of map we will be using in the rapidly-developing air age.

With the map itself are presented in colors the air markings of all the world nations. The reverse side reproduces United States Army, Navy and Marine Corps insignia, and also gives some hints on spotting airplanes with some general recognition characteristics.

The map is not entirely new, but is certainly well worth writing for. A request to Alcoa Map Dept., P. O. Box 16, New York City, will bring a free copy to any reader.

AT LEAST 10 per cent of all casualty notifications in the United States are delayed through the failure of emergency addressees to keep the War Department informed of changes of address.

## Declares CIB Tops Awards

WASHINGTON.—Sgt. Samuel Alpert, of Brooklyn, has returned to the United States after 21 months in Sicily and Italy with the 3rd Infantry Division.

Maj. Gen. Lucian K. Truscott Jr., U. S. Army, pinned the Silver Star on Sergeant Alpert while he was in a hospital at Naples receiving treatment for a knee twisted and sprained while on a patrol near Rome.

When interviewed, Sergeant Alpert wore only his Combat Infantryman Badge. Asked why he didn't wear his Silver Star, Purple Heart and campaign ribbons, Sergeant Alpert said:

"They're mostly front and fuss—fruit salad—but the Combat Infantryman Badge means you're a real doughfoot, and it commands respect wherever you go."

### 13 Her Lucky Number

CAMP FORREST, Tenn.—Thirteen isn't always unlucky, and in the case of Chief Nurse Edna L. Moat, of the Camp Forrest Station Hospital, it has proved to be fortunate. Nurse Moat has just been promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel and is the thirteenth nurse in the Fourth Service Command to receive this distinction.

## Sight of Dead Enrages Yanks; Slaughter Japs

CAMP CLAIBORNE, La.—Holding off the Japs in a fierce battle to protect the Ledo Road in Burma, Sergeant Herring was one of the first Engineer soldiers trained at the ASFTC, Camp Claiborne, and then went on a shipment that became part of the force to make the initial attack on Attu in the Aleutians.

But take it from Sgt. Horace Herring, of Los Angeles, it was a rough deal. He's now stationed at the Army Service Forces Training Center here.

"I was with a detachment of our men at the Nanyang River when the first Nips were encountered," said Sergeant Herring. "There were two regiments of Imperial Marines trying to oppose the Ledo Road and at the same time guard a large number of Chinese Prisoners."

The opposition was routed in no time at all, he said, for the Americans, after seeing the bodies of their own dead, were blind with rage.

"We charged into them, completely annihilated both Jap regiments and then freed the Chinese prisoners," Sergeant Herring said.

A veteran of service in several theaters of operations, Sergeant Herring was one of the first Engineer soldiers trained at the ASFTC, Camp Claiborne, and then went on a shipment that became part of the force to make the initial attack on Attu in the Aleutians.

When the job was finished he transferred to Bengal Province, India, under Lt. Gen. Joseph Stillwell, to train Chinese troops in jungle warfare. Next stop was Calcutta, then Burma and Chungking, China.

Finally, he flew back to Calcutta, bailed out over Burma when Japanese anti-aircraft fire cracked the motor of the plane, and while parachuting to earth was wounded by flak. Friendly natives found him and he was carried behind the lines to an American hospital.

And now he's back at his old "home" as a machine gun instructor for Camp Claiborne ASFTC trainees. It's been a busy war for Sergeant Herring!

## Superfort Mascot Is One Of World's Most-Traveled Dogs

WASHINGTON—One of the most travelled dogs in the world is a red English cocker spaniel named "Sally," constant companion of Maj. Robert Clinkscales, Atlanta, Ga., pilot of the XX Bomber Command Superfortress "Gertrude C."

Sally holds the distinction of flying with her master in an attack on Yawata, Japan, and has a record of 400 hours of operational flying time, which includes five trips across the Hump from India into China and numerous missions in the Owen Stanley Range country of New Guinea when Major Clinkscales was flying General Douglas MacArthur's transport plane.

Major Clinkscales does not fly without Sally. Soon after the take-off for the attack on Yawata, Sally climbed up into her master's lap, buried her head under his flak vest and went to sleep, being awakened only for show call when one of the crew began passing out sandwiches and emergency field rations.

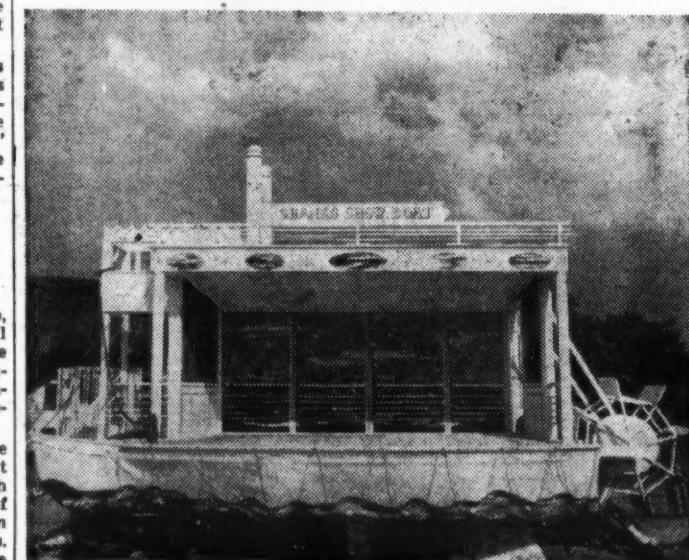
Although B-29s are equipped with pressurized cabins for high altitude flying, Sally has a special oxygen box in case of emergencies. The box is air tight, with an oxygen hose connected to a regular outlet and inserted through a hole in the top of the container. The Yawata mission was the dog's first actual combat sortie.

### Could Talk When 'Twas Needed, at Home Quiet

PITTSBURGH—News reports which tell of the eloquence of Sgt. Alexander J. Balter, of this city, in convincing 400 Germans to surrender en masse near Brest came with surprise to his local friends.

Balter was so quiet when at home, they say, that the cat had his tongue. In fact, his landlady never even knew his first name till she read it in the news reports of his exploit.

## Roving Showboat Is Built From Scrap by Ingenious Shanks GIs



SHOW BOAT ON TRAILER  
Built From Scrap at Camp Shanks, N. Y.

CAMP SHANKS, N. Y.—The newest and most popular addition to entertainment facilities at Camp Shanks is the "Shanksmobile," an unique roving showboat on wheels designed by ingenious GIs at the post to bring shows to the enlisted man "right in his own back yard."

A replica of a Mississippi River showboat, complete with paddle wheel, collapsible smokestacks, which belch real smoke, bells, steam calliope, gangplank and bridge, the gaily-painted "Shanksmobile" is attached to a trailer and carted into the most remote areas of the camp.

In this manner, troops who cannot leave their areas or are taking a short "break" before resuming their

duties, can see fast-moving, laugh-packed, musical performances at regulated periods during the day, so arranged that they will coincide with the soldier's time-off.

As many as four shows are presented daily by talent from the post's Special Service Branch, supplemented frequently by outside civilian entertainers. GIs in the audience are encouraged to participate in entertaining their buddies from the stage of the "Shanksmobile," if they have genuine or fancied talents.

The Shanks showboat, built entirely from scrap material by soldier artisans, was officially launched by Col. Harry D. W. Riley, commanding officer.

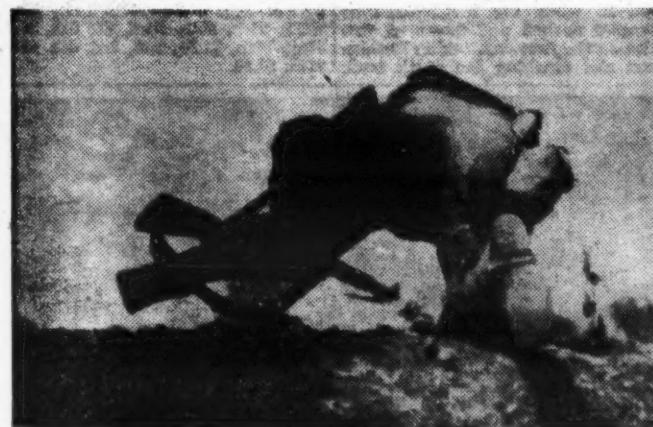
## Had Jobs To Do In France



YANK crew of a 3-inch gun fires at an enemy pillbox in street fighting at St. Malo, France.



AMERICAN Engineers in France devised this sprinkler to lay the dust behind their truck convoy and thus prevent German spotters from sighting the convoy by its dust trail.



—Signal Corps Photo  
HEINIES being close at hand, this GI leaps over a hedgerow somewhere in France, hot on the trail of the fleeing Nazis.

## Doughboy Nearly Buried Alive As Foxhole Gives In

WITH THE 2ND INFANTRY DIVISION IN FRANCE:—Cpl. Richard C. Orcutt, of Stamford, Conn., was buried in his fox hole when a German 88 shell hit nearby and caved it in.

All that remained of the corporal above ground after the shell exploded was a foot and an arm. He waved his hand vigorously and surprised comrades quickly dug around his head to prevent him from suffocating. Within 10 minutes he was completely out of the hole, shaking hands with his buddies and commenting on what a narrow escape he had.

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## Proud of Medal of Honor But Blue-White Patch Pet

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy—Pfc. Alton W. Knappenberger, Springmount, Pa., Infantryman who won the nation's highest military award, the Congressional Medal of Honor, is scheduled to return to the United States on furlough.

Knappenberger held off and decimated an entire German company with a Browning automatic rifle while fighting with the 3rd "Marne" Division on the Fifth Army front in Italy.

Upon receiving notice of approval

of the award of Congressional Medal, Knappenberger was placed on special duty with the division personnel section until he was presented the decoration in Rome by Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, Fifth Army commander. Knappenberger then volunteered to drive a Red Cross truck serving his buddies in the Marne Division. He's doing a "very fine job," according to his new boss.

He said he felt funny getting the award from General Clark because the general is so tall. Knappenberger, a short, stocky man, felt "more at ease" with the Division Commander who dubbed him a "one-man army" at the ceremony.

Knappenberger called his outfit "the best in the Army."

Referring to the shoulder patch of the 3rd Infantry Division, he said, "I'll wear this blue and white patch until they make me take it off."

## Critics Laud New 'Army Daze' Show

HOLABIRD SIGNAL DEPOT, BALTIMORE.—Acclaimed by local critics as a "hilarious and highly entertaining take-off on army life," "Army Daze," a three-act comedy written by Lt. Don Swann, Jr., and Cpl. Charles Mercer, has just completed a successful week's run at the Hilltop Theatre, a Baltimore summer stock company's playhouse.

"Army Daze" is the story of the mishaps of a newly-inducted company of men as they try to bridge the sudden gap between civilian and GI life. A diversified group, their adventures in the Ft. Eustis barracks are riotous, but they manage to stick together exceedingly well when it comes to helping out a bud-

dy. Other installations interested in securing this script are invited to write the Public Relations Office, Holabird Signal Depot, Baltimore, 19, Md.

## Special Treatment Center To Care for Army Malaria Cases

WASHINGTON—A special treatment center for malaria and other tropical diseases encountered by the American troops in the various theaters of operations will be opened September 1 by the Army Medical Department at the Moore General Hospital, Swannanoa, N. C., the War Department announces.

The Moore General Hospital is being designated a medical center for the study and treatment of tropical diseases under the command of Lt. Col. Joseph M. Hayman, of Cleveland, who has spent two years in the South Pacific studying tropical diseases. Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, The Surgeon General, said.

There will be 350 beds in the center for patients undergoing active treatment and barracks facilities for 1,000 men for the reconditioning program. As soon as a man is released from bed treatment he will be trans-

ferred to the reconditioning barracks and continue any further treatment required in addition to taking the training needed to fit him for active duty again.

It is proposed to concentrate at the new center, as far as possible, all tropical disease patients in the Army, with particular attention being paid to malaria and filariasis. Facilities are being provided for expansion of the bed capacities as required.

The new center will be under the supervision of Lt. Col. Francis R. Dieuaide, Chief of the Tropical Disease Branch of the Medicine Division of The Surgeon General's Office, headed by Brig. Gen. Hugh J. Morgan.

"The new center," Colonel Dieuaide said, "will reduce the loss of manpower which the Army incurs as the result of discharges for tropical diseases. It will provide a centralization of the treatment, reconditioning and management of patients with tropical diseases; provide planned and controlled observations of the methods of treatment and reconditioning of men with such diseases; improve the treatment and shorten the period of hospitalization now required for the treatment of such diseases.

## Touted Nazi V-2 Bomb Only Propaganda, Says London

LONDON—The newest Nazi "secret weapon," according to propaganda, is another flying bomb, much larger and with enormously heavier explosive than the robot bombs which have been landing in England for some weeks. A German inside would direct it. He would bail out at the last minute before landing.

The Germans even claim that some of the new V-2 bombs have landed in England but nothing has been seen of them here.

It is believed here that the Nazis' last hope of saving Germany from defeat was based on the ability to hold the Allies in the west and east while a flood of secret weapons was deluged on Britain in the coming winter months when defense is most difficult.

## Five Officers Receive Promotions at Butner

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Maj. Gen. Thomas D. Finley, Commanding General, 89th Infantry Division, has announced promotions of five officers in the division.

Maj. Kenneth B. Connor, of Pensacola, Fla., was made a lieutenant colonel; 1st Lt. Richard J. McCarthy, of Minneapolis, received a captaincy, and 2nd Lts. Earl D. Sprague, of Otto, Wyo., Louis J. Appel, of St. Louis, and Thomas E. Burke, of Memphis, were made first lieutenants.

## No Kitchen Sink?

CAMP GORDON JOHNSTON, Fla.—Sgt. Ray LaBarre of Detroit, a bull fiddle player for 11 years, has solved his music problem with a "dog house" he built of salvaged material. Made of a GI tub, a mop handle, telephone wire, eye hooks, a blue pencil, a piece of cellophane and a gun oil can, it sounds like the real thing. S/Sgt. Ted Jordan, Chicago, on the washboard and Pfc. Sam Tucker, Ashville, N. C., on the harmonica, are Sergeant LaBarre's accompanist.

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—Paced by Pvt. Ray Taft, Co. D, 60th Med. Tng. Bn., ASFTC, and Lt. James Mulford, Camp Provost Marshal, the Camp Barkeley swimming team took an easy victory in the Eighth Service Command swimming meet at San Antonio.

## Visual Aids Used at Jackson To Wise Up Uneducated Group

FORT JACKSON, S.C.—Men who less than a year ago would have been rejected with the label "illiterate" panned to their record are now being turned out to full Army duty through the work of a Special Training Unit here.

Under the army's extensive program to garner every able-bodied man available for regular combat service, the STU is aimed at salvaging thousands of strong, young Americans who are qualified otherwise but somehow failed in earlier life to learn the essential three "R's". The men are now accepted for army service and spend from six to 16 weeks in special classes designed to qualify them for field training in replacement training centers.

Under the command of Maj. Benjamin F. Lanhardt, a regiment of soldiers of the STU at Fort Jackson attend classes daily in the elementary subjects of reading, 'ritin', and 'rithmetic.' They spend half of each week day on the drill field or attending lectures and films on military subjects. Specialized training methods are employed by specially trained teachers in instructing the men in academic and military subjects.

A visual aids section produces nu-

merous teaching aids such as charts and posters on military courtesy, hygiene, and other pertinent subjects. Pictures to teach the recognition of words such as an attractive picture of a mess hall with m-e-s-s-h-a-l-l spelled out below are supplied by artists of the visual aids department, and by no means of less import is the huge atlas recently completed for use in teaching the STU trainees the geographical position of the world.

The orientation center at the unit where the soldiers are shown by maps, charts and other informational material what's going on in the world around them is so filled with vital material that it would attract the keenest student on world affairs.

## Prisoners of War To Be Exchanged

WASHINGTON—The State Department and the War Department announced that the M. S. GRIPSHOLM was expected to leave New York on or about August 23 to carry out a further exchange with Germany of seriously sick and seriously wounded prisoners of war.

It has been agreed that the repatriates of each side will be exchanged at Goteborg, Sweden, on or about Sept. 8. The GRIPSHOLM is expected to return to New York late in September with American repatriates. The vessel will travel both ways under safe conduct of all belligerents.

Every effort will be made to dispatch notification to the next of kin of the American repatriates at the earliest moment after their identity has been established beyond possibility of doubt.

## Quislings Draft Servants

WASHINGTON—Norwegian Quislings have solved the servant problem by terming household work for high party officials to be "essential labor," the Swedish newspaper Stockholm's Tidningen said in an article reported to the Office of War Information.

### Publish 'Memoriam' Booklet

CAMP COOKE, Calif.—Thunderbolt Division officers and men who lost their lives during training were not forgotten on the Eleventh Armored Division's second anniversary, for an "In Memoriam" booklet containing messages from Brig. Gen. Charles S. Kilburn and Lt. Col. John K. Johnston, division chaplain, went forward to their nearest of kin.

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**SOLDIERS** at Camp Crowder, Mo., did double duty during the seasonal farm labor emergency. Their Army jobs attended to, they went out into rye fields near Neosho, Mo., and volunteered their help with harvesting. These Joes are having a breathing spell and enjoy a canteen swig.

## Col. John L. Autrey Takes Command at Camp Kohler

CAMP KOHLER, Calif.—To Western Signal Corps Training Center has come its fourth commanding officer, Col. John L. Autrey, succeeding Col. James W. Greene, Jr., who has been relieved for an overseas assignment.

Coming here from Camp Crowder, Mo., where he has been on duty as commanding officer of the 800th S. T. R., Colonel Autrey will be on temporary duty as post commandant until this installation is inactivated.

An old line Army man, the Colonel has been in the service since 1916. Born in Arkansas in 1892, he attended the University of Arkansas.

In World War 1, he served with the famous Fourth Division, 58th Infantry. His commission as a second lieutenant came in June, 1917. He was made a captain, temporary, the following year.

Colonel Autrey transferred to the Signal Corps in 1920; was promoted to major in 1935, and to lieutenant colonel in 1940. He is now a full colonel.

From 1920 to '24, Coloney Autrey served at George Tech, from 1924 to '25 at Fort Monmouth, N. J., as instructor, and from 1925 to '29 as Assistant Corps Area Signal Officer.

A tour of duty in the Philippines followed in 1930-31. Returning to the states, he served as an instructor with the 29th Division, National Guard, until 1936.

In the summer of 1933, Colonel Autrey organized a CCC camp in Utah.

From 1936 to '39, Colonel Autrey was 1st Division Signal Officer. In 1937 he was the Signal Officer for

the amphibious exercises of the Army and Navy in the Caribbean.

The years 1940-41 found Colonel Autrey at Fort Sam Houston, Tex., as Post Signal Officer.

In 1942, Colonel Autrey took the first Signal Corps troops to Australia and New Guinea as officer in charge of Signal Corps Supply for that theater.

Upon his return to the states in 1943, Colonel Autrey was assigned to duty at Camp Crowder, as commanding officer of the 800th S. T. R.

## WAC Hobbies Ease Wartime Strains

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE BOMBER STATION, England.—Hobbies are a relaxation from the stress and concentration of war on the invasion front, for Cpl. Delores E. Fickert, of the Women's Army Corps.

Corporal Fickert has one of the most unusual hobbies in the ETO. From plexiglass obtained from the turrets, noses and tails of damaged bombers, she makes picture frames, rings and other ornaments which she sends home as gifts.

## Teaching Crowder Combat Wrestling

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—Pfc. Emmanuel Maier, 123 pounds of dynamite, is seeing to it that friends in his company have the benefit of all that he knows about hand-to-hand combat. Maier, who was captain of a wrestling team at the College of the City of New York, won both the National YMCA and World's Fair bantamweight titles and for three successive years was a member of the A.A.U. wrestling teams which won National A.A.U. championships.

## Saves Sergeant, Gets Hero Medal

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—A War Department general order says it actually happened: One Sgt. Samuel A. Turner of Fort Sill, Okla., was awarded the Soldier's Medal for heroism in preventing an enraged soldier with loaded rifle from shooting the company mess sergeant.

## Dartmouth Will Train Servicemen in Crafts

PAUL SMITH'S, N. Y.—Returned servicemen will be trained in production, design and marketing of handicrafts at Dartmouth College under a new rehabilitation program. Mrs. Vanderbilt Webb said at an arts and crafts conference.

## 'Goon Gun' Aiding American Advance

WASHINGTON.—"Goon guns," firing 4.2 inch mortar shells frequently filled with white phosphorus, are giving outstanding support to American infantry forces in their steady advance on all war fronts.

Two Chemical Warfare Service 4.2 mortar battalions in Normandy were cited for their work on D-Day. Their citations read, "For extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of duty in action in the initial assault."

From Italy, Burma and the Southwest Pacific theater come similar reports of the effectiveness of this weapon in destroying enemy positions and bringing survivors into American lines as prisoners.

Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, Commanding General of the Fifth Army, has been quoted as saying he would not willingly commit an infantry division to action in Italy without the close support of one of these mortar battalions.

## Division Histories Issued

# Had Gallant Exploits In War

WASHINGTON—The General of the Armies, John J. Pershing, in his capacity as Chairman of the American Battle Monuments Commission, announces the publication of summaries of World War operations of four more divisions, the 2nd, 5th, 80th and 92nd, which fought under his command in France. These volumes are a part of a set of 28 (17 now have been published) which, when completed, will cover the operations of all combat divisions of the American Expeditionary Forces.

The 2nd Division, organized from units of the Regular Army and the Marine Corps, with headquarters at Bourmont, France, in Oct., 1917, had its first front-line service in the Toulon, Rupt and Tryon Sectors during the following March, April and May. With the 3rd Division, it was rushed to the vicinity of Chateau-Thierry and hastily deployed across the road to Paris to block the great German offensive of May 27. The 2nd Division attacked on June 6 to regain the Belleau Wood, thus beginning a series of battles which were among the most hard-fought of the war.

### On Hun 'Blacklist'

Seeking to break Allied and American morale, the German High Command had issued orders that under no circumstances would the 2nd Division be permitted to gain any success. Nevertheless, after most severe fighting, Belleau Wood was cleared on June 25 and the village of Vaux taken on July 1. Nine days later, the 2nd was relieved in this sector.

In the Aisne-Marne offensive, launched July 18, the 2nd Division, with the American 1st Division and the French 1st Moroccan Division, formed the spearhead of the main attack south of Soissons. The deep penetration forced the Germans to begin withdrawing from the Marne salient and on July 20 the 2nd was relieved.

On Sept. 12, the Division, with the 5th on its right and the 89th on its left, drove through the German defenses on the south face of the St. Mihiel salient, taking Thiacourt and Jaulnay. It was relieved Sept. 16.

The powerful Blanc Mont position, in the Champagne region west of the Argonne Forest, was carried by the 2nd Division in a brilliant assault on Oct. 3. A week later, the 2nd was relieved from the line on this front and moved to the American First Army area east of the Argonne. From its position near the center of the line, the 2nd attacked in the final phase of the Meuse-Argonne offensive on Nov. 1. By Nov. 4, it had gained the heights overlooking the Meuse River. By the 11th, it had a foothold on the east bank of the Meuse, south of Mouzon.

The 2nd Division moved into Germany with the Army of Occupation, taking position in the Coblenz Bridgehead where it remained until July, 1919.

### Fighting in Normandy

In this war, it has returned to France, engaging in the heavy fighting on the Normandy peninsula.

In the reorganization after the World War, the 5th and 6th Marines were returned to their corps. The 5th served in Nicaragua from 1927 to 1933. At the beginning of this war, it was a regiment in the Marines 1st Division which, on Aug. 7, 1942, opened the Guadalcanal campaign. Relieved in December, the regiment took the lead a year later in the Cape Gloucester landing on New Britain.

After serving in China, the 6th Marines went to Iceland where they were at the outbreak of war with Germany, Italy and Japan. The regiment took part in the closing phase of the Guadalcanal campaign. Six months later, the regiment swarmed over the bloody sands of Tarawa.

The 17th Field Artillery Regiment is now the 17th Field Artillery Group and the 17th and 630th Field Artillery Battalions.

The Fifth (Red Diamond) Division was organized in Dec., 1917, from units of the Regular Army, with headquarters at Camp Logan, Tex. The following spring it went to France and had its first front-line service in the Anould Sector in the Vosges Mountains east of Epinal. On July 19, the Division assumed command of the St. Die Sector, ad-

joining the Anould Sector.

In an attack launched on Aug. 17, elements of the Division eliminated a salient in the German line and took the village of Frapelle. Relieved on Aug. 23, the Division moved to the American First Army area to take part in the St. Mihiel offensive. With the 2nd and 90th Divisions on its flanks, the 5th attacked on Sept. 12 and took Vieuville-en-Haye, reaching the Army objective. When the offensive closed on Sept. 16, the 5th had pushed its advance elements to the wooded heights bordering Rupt de Mad Creek.

### Served in Occupation

In the Meuse-Argonne offensive, the 5th Division entered the lines near Cunel on Oct. 12, relieving the 80th Division. Two days later, the 5th attacked and took Cunel, gaining a foothold in Bois de la Pultiere. It took a week of bitter fighting to clear this wood and the Bois des Rappes, to the north. After a few days' rest, the Division returned to the line in the same area. By Nov. 3, the west bank of the Meuse had been cleared to a point opposite Dun-sur-Meuse. American crossings were stiffly resisted, but by Nov. 5 a bridgehead had been secured and Dun-sur-Meuse had been taken. The 5th then pushed rapidly on and by Nov. 11 had cleared the Meuse heights. It served as part of the Army of Occupation, moving into the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, where it remained until July, 1919.

The 5th Infantry Division was activated on Sept. 25, 1939, and a number of units which were in the Division in the World War are now serving elsewhere. Among them is the 6th Infantry Regiment, now the 6th Armored Infantry, 1st Armored Division. It was in the first waves of the landing forces in North Africa, going ashore in the vicinity of Oran, and also fought throughout the Tunisian campaign and in Italy.

The 60th Infantry Regiment became part of the 9th Infantry Division. Elements of this division were with the first forces to invade French Morocco and were in some of the hardest fighting in the Tunisian campaign. They hit Sicily during the San Fratelle-Troina battle.

### Organized at Camp Lee

Selective service men from Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia made up the 80th (Blue Ridge) Division when it was organized at Camp Lee, Va., in Sept., 1917. It arrived in France during May and June, 1918, and had its first front-line service in the Artois Sector, north of Albert. On Aug. 14, one battalion of the 317th advanced about two miles and took Puisieux-aux-Monts. The Division was relieved on Aug. 18 in the Somme offensive and moved to the American Sector where it was in the First Army during the St. Mihiel offensive.

The 80th was in the front lines on Sept. 26 when the Meuse-Argonne offensive opened and advanced five miles on the first day, taking Béthincourt and reaching the south bank

of the Meuse opposite Vilosnes. Relieved on Sept. 29, it re-entered the line on Oct. 4 north of Nantillois and attacked the strong enemy position in Bois des Ogons. After hard fighting, the wood was taken the next day. On the 9th, 10th and 11th, the Division forged steadily ahead against strong resistance. On Oct. 12 it was relieved just south of Cunel by the 5th Division.

Returning to the line on Oct. 31, and attacking the next day in the final phase of the offensive, the 80th took Buzancy on Nov. 2. It pursued the enemy until it reached Beaumont on November 5 and was relieved the next day by the 1st Division.

The 80th Infantry Division was activated in July, 1942.

Organized with headquarters at Camp Funston, Kan., in November, 1917, the 92nd (Buffalo) Division was composed of Negro selective service men from various parts of the United States. Units began sailing for France in June, the last one arriving on July 12. Affiliated with French troops, the 92nd relieved the 5th Division in the St. Die Sector on Aug. 23.

### On St. Mihiel Front

The 92nd was relieved in this sector on Sept. 20 and moved to the American First Army area to participate in the Meuse-Argonne offensive. The greater part of the division was held in reserve but the 368th Regiment was assigned to the Franco-American Liaison Detachment. The regiment entered the front line, just west of Argonne Forest, on Sept. 25, and attacked the following day, reaching Béthincourt on Sept. 30, an advance of nearly three miles. It was relieved on this line the next day and reverted to its division. On being relieved in the Meuse-Argonne offensive, the 92nd moved to the old St. Mihiel front and on Oct. 9 assumed command of the Marbache Sector. The division held this sector until the Armistice.

The 92nd Infantry Division was activated for service in the present war in October, 1942. A unit of the 92nd, the 366th Infantry Regiment, is not assigned to a division. The 367th is now the 364th Infantry and the 367th Infantry Battalion (Separate), neither of which are units of a division. The 349th Field Artillery has been reorganized as the 349th Field Artillery Group, and the 349th and 686th Field Artillery Battalions. The 350th Field Artillery Regiment is identical with the 350th Field Artillery Battalion. The 351st Field Artillery Regiment is the 351st Field Artillery Group and the 351st Field Artillery Battalion.

Copies of the divisional summaries of operations which have been published may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C., for the following prices: 7th, 36th, 79th, 81st, 92nd, \$0.75; 27th, 30th, 93rd, \$1; 5th, 26th, 32nd, 80th, \$1.25; 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 28th, 77th, \$1.50.



**LEGION** of Merit awards for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services are presented at Camp Davis, N. C., by Brig. Gen. Bryan L. Milburn, Commandant of the AAA School, to (left to right) M/Sgt. Leonard C. Oliver, T/Sgt. Marshall O. Walker and T/3 Edgar J. Babin.

## What's Wrong With This Picture?



Courtesy The Checkerboard, Camp Maxey, Texas  
HERE is the 4.2 chemical mortar in action somewhere in Italy. Since it was first introduced by the Chemical Warfare Service in this war, it has proved its worth by laying smoke or HE on the enemy with terrible efficiency. But some mistakes are being made. Can you find these errors before checking the answers on this page?

## Women Are Given Bravery Awards

WASHINGTON—Awards from the Army and Navy for bravery and efficiency in war have been presented to 105 American women, the Office of War Information announces.

Army nurses lead with 97 and a Distinguished Flying Cross, the highest award ever given an American woman in uniform. This was presented to Lt. Kathleen R. Dial, of Florence, Ala., in recognition of her work in taking care of 18 patients after a flying ambulance crashed off Port Moresby, New Guinea.

Flying nurses have received 29 air medals, 11 with four oak leaf clusters, for flights in combat areas. Twenty-four Purple Hearts have been received by Army nurses and four by Wacs. The Soldier's Medal for personal bravery has been presented to four Army nurses and two Wacs.

AMERICAN-BUILT trucks have been one of the secrets of the amazing success of Russian transport.



—Signal Corps Photo  
BECAUSE few Chinese have any hair on their faces until they reach an advanced age, the shaving engaged in by Maj. Herbert A. Lloyd, of Columbus, Ohio, of the Y-Force Operations Staff in China, seems to these Chinese to be a most extraordinary operation. The process appears to fascinate the youngsters, and is so entrancing to the boy in the background that he is unaware of his falling trousers.

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## Job To Do, They Did It!

## Heroes Do Not Sing of Valor

WASHINGTON—Veteran doughboys who have seen months of combat overseas are generally modest as to their deeds of heroism.

While many of the men invalided home wear the Purple Heart and other decorations as evidence of their valor in the hell of war, some risking their lives to rescue others, generally they prefer to cite the gallantry of their buddies rather than their own deeds and to recall incidents of warfare out of the ordinary.

Pvt. Walter L. Tucker, of Pittsfield, Ill., infantryman with the 36th Division in Italy, won the Silver Star at Salerno Beach. With the first landing on the soil of Italy, Tucker had reached some protection from German artillery and mortars, when he heard the cry of an American soldier who had become pinned down by the ramp of a landing boat and was in danger of being crushed or drowned. Tucker left his place of safety, went through the fire-swept area, freed the soldier from the ramp and carried him back through the shells and bullets across the beach to a safe position.

"It wasn't anything," says Private Tucker. "I just pulled a guy out of the water on the beachhead."

### Pistol Duel With Nazi

While the days of dueling are long past, Pfc. Walter G. Hanssen, of Cumberland, Pa., had one of these duel-exchanges with a German soldier in Italy. "A Jerry soldier and I met each other in a rock crevice one night about 9:30 when the moon gave light enough for firing," said Private Hanssen. "We were 25 or 30 feet apart and we both brought our

rifles up. The Kraut fired first, but missed. Then I fired. I think I hit him during the exchange, but I'm quite sure the Heinie hit me as the scar on my left hand shows. The German quit shooting first, so I think I got him."

Hanssen lay in the crevice all night. A trail of blood spots showed where the German had crawled away or been dragged out. Hanssen was awarded the Purple Heart for the wound.

### Patty-Kiss on Yankee Soil

When Pvt. Homer Long, of Mackville, Ky., stepped off the boat on his return to the United States, he knelt for a moment on the pier and patted the rough boards with his hands.

"That's a kiss," he said. "When the German shells had us all scared to death, I promised myself a million times I'd do that. I never thought I'd have the chance. I was no more scared than most, but all the boys pushed on and did the job they had to do."

Long was wounded in Sicily when a fragment from a mortar shell struck his right leg. Long trained at Camp Wheeler, Ga.

### Toothache Is Worse

Cpl. James Whitehead, heavy machine-gunner with the 9th Infantry Division, was struck in the chest and arm during the American assault in Tunisia and he wears the Purple Heart.

"I've suffered more with a toothache," said Whitehead.

Corporal Whitehead, who is from Cleveland, Tenn., trained with the Ninth at Fort Bragg, N. C.

### Medics Target for Snipers

Pfc. Miles Fisher, 20-year-old 34th Infantry Division rifleman from Holland, Ky., has a deep-seated hatred for Nazi ruthlessness.

"Many times," declared Fisher, "I've seen Kraut snipers take deliberate aim at our medics when I know those Heinies couldn't miss seeing the Red Cross on our guys wore. I'm glad to say, though, that nine times out of ten we got those snipers."

The young battle veteran, who wears the Combat Infantryman Badge as well as the Purple Heart, received his Infantry basic training at Fort McClellan, Ala.

### Kid Is Battle Veteran

Barely past his 18th birthday, and with a disarmingly mild manner enhanced by GI spectacles that give him a scholarly look, Pvt. Elmer W. Granger, Akron, O., is a veteran of many months of vicious combat in Italy with the 3rd Infantry Division. He wears the Purple Heart and the Combat Infantryman Badge.

"I'm telling you I hate those Krauts," Granger said calmly. "I learned to hate them quick. Once I saw a sniper kill one of our medics. One of my buddies, a knife his only weapon, and with but a chance

in a thousand, crawled toward the sniper, sneaked around back of him and stuck that knife into the German's back. That's what you call guts."

Granger received his training at Camp Blanding, Fla.

### Front Lines Safer

Pvt. Robert M. Henderson, of Indianapolis, was a trifle abashed at the fact that he served in the front lines on the Anzio beachhead.

"It was really safer in the front lines than it was in the rear areas," said Henderson. "The Kraut artillery kept pounding the rear with big stuff all the time. When we, in our comfy front foxholes, would hear the 'Anzio Express,' which we called 240-mm. guns the Germans were using, sending its shells whooshing overhead, we'd feel sorry for the rear party."

Henderson wears the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, which means he was wounded twice, and the Silver Star with Oak Leaf Cluster.

### Get Culinary Delicacies

Although under terrific and almost constant German fire, invading troops on the Anzio beachhead were not kept from enjoying such culinary delicacies as sizzling steaks and French fried potatoes, according to S/Sgt. James A. Spinks, of Okemah, Okla.

"The supply people did a grand job of getting rations to us," said the mess sergeant. "We had fresh meat, potatoes and flour. The boneless beef made nice steaks and there was ground beef and stew meat."

Nightly, Sergeant Spinks supervised distribution of 'foxhole banquets'—K or C rations—to the Infantrymen in the front lines. Two hot meals were made available daily to men resting in the rear areas.

Sergeant Spinks, a veteran of both the Sicilian and Italian campaigns, received his training at Camp Barker, Tex.

## Picture Puzzle Answers

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## Negroes in the Army Now Total 698,911, WD Says

WASHINGTON—Negroes were serving in the Army to the number of 698,911 on June 30, 1944, the War Department announced this week.

This showed an increase of 34,845 above the total of 664,000 announced on February 29 last.

The announcement indicates a sharp increase in the number of negroes assigned to overseas theaters. The other main increases occur in the Army Service Forces.

Since August, 1943, the Army has enlisted 116,050 negroes.

## 89th at Camp Butler Organizing Glee Club

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Organization of the 89th Infantry Division Glee Club, to be led by Lt. Robert J. Epley, 405 Quartermaster Company, is now under way. There is urgent need for officers and enlisted men with all types of voices, particularly baritones, basses and tenors.

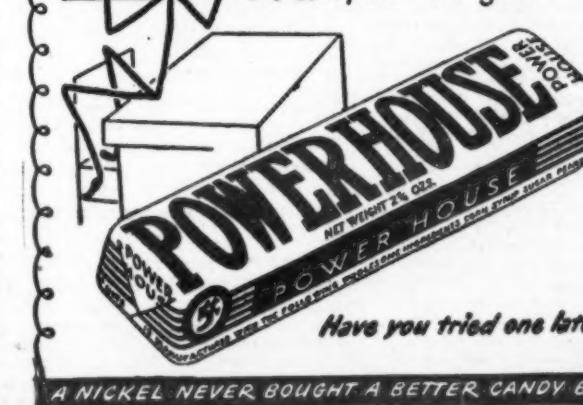
Sponsored by Assistant Division Chaplain David R. Beecher, the club will also fill outside engagements at club meetings, socials, rallies and benefits.

As sure as two and two make four

And four and four make eight,

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## Greet Their Yank Liberators



WARMHEARTED handshakes are given by civilians to Yank troopers as they march through LeMans, France.



—Signal Corps Photo  
GRATEFUL women, just liberated from German hands near Champigne, France, present Yanks with fresh-made egg omelets.

## Chaplains, Under Fire, Hold Sabbath Services in Trenches

WITH U. S. FORCES IN FRANCE —With only small silver crosses worn on their battle uniforms to distinguish them, chaplains with United States troops in France have been "talking it" right along with their units since D-Day.

Armed only with a Bible, a few rosaries, in some cases vestment robes and communion set, or any other religious articles they can carry on their persons, chaplains keep in close contact with every unit, often under enemy fire.

Chaplains hold as many as a dozen services on Sundays at different positions along the line. In the French towns, civilians are happy to assist the chaplains and offer their schools, churches and halls for services. But soldiers cannot withdraw from their positions to attend church services and so the chaplains hold their services in the open, in trenches, at gun positions where the firing must continue in fields or wherever the men are.

American voices singing familiar hymns mingle with the roar of planes and artillery on Sunday mornings while the chaplains conduct their services over improvised altars.

"Men who never before have evidenced interest in religion are very appreciative of church services on the battlefield," relates Chaplain

(Captain) Robert Scott of the First Christian Church, Lamarque, Tex., chaplain with the field artillery units of the 101st Airborne Division.

"Eighty-eight shells whining overhead make the men especially attentive to my sermons," Chaplain Scott commented smilingly. "An awful lot of praying goes on behind the German lines, too," he said regarding paratroopers who landed in enemy territory.

## Bill to Promote PWs Frowned On

WASHINGTON — The War and Navy Departments have submitted adverse reports on S. 1374, a bill providing for the promotion of certain American prisoners of war, which measure has been reported favorably by the Senate Committee on Military Affairs.

The purpose of this legislation is to promote each officer below the grade of colonel and enlisted man below the grade of master sergeant who was taken prisoner in the Philippines, Wake or Guam, one grade above the grade he held when made a prisoner.

## Army Ground Forces News

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY GROUND FORCES—Gen. Ben. Lear, commanding general of Army Ground Forces with headquarters at the Army War College, inspected troops of the 14th Armored Division and the 20th Armored Division, which are stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky., during the past week.

General Lear spoke to the non-commissioned officers of both armored organizations. He was en route returning to his headquarters from Cincinnati, Ohio, where he spoke to the 46th Encampment of the United States Spanish War Veterans.

Newly assigned to the Ground G-1 Section of AGF headquarters is Col. George H. Frost, GSC, native of Pleasantville, Iowa. He enlisted in the Regular Army in 1916, and spent seven months in France during the first World War.

Another newly assigned officer is Lt. Col. Harold J. Pearson, FA, of the Ground G-3 Section, who recently returned from Santiago, Chile, where he served as assistant military attache, United States Embassy.

He came up through the ranks to a second lieutenant's commission in 1932. He attended the Command and General Staff School in 1940.

HEADQUARTERS, ANTI AIRCRAFT COMMAND—Brig. Gen. J. C. Drain, USA, Brig. Gen. J. P. Baldwin, USA, Col. J. W. McDonald, CAV, and Col. A. Q. Franklin, CAC, members of the Manpower Survey Board of the War Department, visited this headquarters last week to discuss the survey undertaken by the board to determine the utilization of manpower at Service Schools.

Col. Robert L. Anderson, AC, Army Air Forces Board, and Lt. Col. Frederick H. Fairchild, CAC, AAFSAT, Orlando, Fla., visited this headquarters last week to confer on training and development matters.

An inspection team headed by Col. Milo G. Cary, GSC, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, Antiaircraft Command, visited the Antiaircraft Artillery Training Center and the Antiaircraft Replacement Training Center, Camp Stewart, Ga., this week, to observe and check supply and maintenance procedures.

Col. W. H. Brooks, RA, and Maj. J.H.N. Thompson, RA, British Army Staff, Washington, D. C., visited Headquarters, Antiaircraft Command, this week to discuss antiaircraft matters.

HEADQUARTERS, ANTI AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY SCHOOL—Col. William L. McPherson, CAC, G-3 section, Antiaircraft Command, and Capt. C. M. Tolleson, WAC Staff Director of the Antiaircraft Command, visited the Antiaircraft Artillery School last week in connection with training and personnel matters.

HEADQUARTERS, AIRBORNE CENTER—Officers and enlisted personnel of the 13th Airborne Division staff and the III Air Command Group from MacDill Field, Fla., recently completed the glider qualification tests given by the Instructional Detachment of the Airborne Center.

Maj. Marshall H. Brucer of this headquarters, accompanied by Lt. John Porter and five members of the 555th Parachute Infantry Company, went to Chicago last week to participate in a War Bond Rally held under the auspices of the Chicago Defender at Jackson Park, Chicago.

Members of the 542nd Parachute Infantry Battalion participated in a demonstration jump August 13th at Wright Field, Ohio, as a part of the Air Corps show honoring Captain Don Gentile, ace combat pilot home on leave.

A detail of parachutists of the 555th Parachute Infantry Company, in charge of Maj. Dan Rachal, are on a tour of Troop Carrier Command bases to demonstrate to Combat Cargo Groups of that command the technique of parachute jumping, and to give general airborne orientation.

Lt. Col. L. A. Walsh, Jr., Lt. Col. R. E. Huneycutt, Maj. John Wallace, and Lt. Melvin L. Hutchinson attended a conference in Louisville, Ky., this week with officers of the Troop Carrier Command for the purpose of considering changes in present transport aircraft.

HEADQUARTERS, ARMORED CENTER—Engineers of Company A of the 8th Armored Division's 53rd Armored Engineer Battalion are proud of their record with the Bailey

bridge, the Army's newest combat bridge. Field manuals accompanying the new bridge said that an "experienced" company should be able to set it up in three and one-half hours, fast time, under perfect conditions. The first time Company A set up the Bailey bridge they did it in three hours, 45 minutes, in stifling Louisiana heat, and the bridge was ten feet longer than the manual had specified.

The usefulness of war dogs in detecting mine fields was demonstrated to 11th Armored Division personnel recently when dogs from the Army's San Carlos, California, Training Center were put through an exhibition detecting through scent the presence of metallic and non-metallic land mines, booby traps and trip wires.

HEADQUARTERS, ARMORED REPLACEMENT TRAINING CENTER—The ARTC's new classification officer is Maj. Austin R. McClintock, who came to the Center from Fort Riley, Kans., where he was the classification officer of the Cavalry School.

HEADQUARTERS, THE ARMORED SCHOOL—The second group of Latin-American army officers, on a 30-day tour of the major United States Army installations as guests

of the War Department, arrived at Fort Knox, 11 August 1944, to inspect armored school departments. The visiting party, all officers of the Mexican Army, included Col. Alberto Cardenas, Lt. Col. Alfonso Gurza, Maj. Jeronimo Gomar, and Maj. Genaro Hernandez.

HEADQUARTERS, THE CAVALRY SCHOOL—The 611th Field Artillery Battalion and the 4119th Quartermaster Truck Company have arrived at Fort Riley, Kans., for assignment as school troops. The former, a 75-mm pack artillery outfit, had been in advanced training at Camp Carson, Colorado. It is commanded by Lt. Col. George R. Lydick.

HEADQUARTERS, I.R.T.C., CAMP ROBINSON—The Infantry Replacement Training Center here is in receipt of a high commendation for its troops' soldierly deportment in nearby Little Rock, Ark., during off-duty hours.

Maj. Gen. Ray E. Porter, G-3 WDGS, recently spent a night in Little Rock during a military mission, and his resultant contact with soldiers of the I.R.T.C. caused him to send the commendation to Maj. Gen. Charles H. White, the center's commanding general.

## 'Hi, Yank,' Strictly GI Show, Has Premiere; Hailed as Hit

FORT DIX, N. J.—GIs all over the world will soon be witnessing "Hi Yank," a War Department Special Service blue print show which had its premiere here.

The only musical revue strictly GI from top to bottom was acclaimed by a serviceman audience and received fine notices from top notch critics in the metropolitan press.

"Hi Yank" stems from the Army weekly, Yank. The main character in the show is Yank's famed cartoon character, the Sad Sack.

Everything in the show—music, lyrics, sketches, costumes, scenery, orchestrations, choreography, direction and production—has been done by Army men and women. This is the first show of this size and type to be done without civilian assistance.

### Music by Frank Loesser

The music, lyrics and sketches were conceived and written by members of the Special Services Division, ASF. The music is by Pvt. Frank Loesser, who wrote "Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition" and Lt. Alex North, well known American composer. Lyrics are the work of Lt. Jack Hill. Pvt. Hy Zaret and Private Loesser. Sketches were written by Lt. Bon Eastbright, Lieutenant Hill, T/4 Ed Milk, Pfc. Martin Weldon and Pvt. Arnold Auerbach.

"Hi Yank" has been produced by Capt. Hy Gardner, Fort Dix Reception Center Special Service officer, and directed by Cpl. David Fitzgibbons. Special choreographic work was done by Pvt. Jose Lemon, formerly of the Charles Weidman Dancers.

## Early Prisoner of Nazis in Africa Is Now on Sill Faculty

FORT SILL, Okla.—First Lt. John R. Vaughn, one of the first Americans to be captured by the Nazis in North Africa after the Allied invasion in November, 1942, and who later escaped and roamed through enemy territory for seven months before reaching the Allied lines, has been assigned to the staff and faculty here.

Lieutenant Vaughn landed at Oran in the first invasion of North Africa and his outfit was under constant fire for one month before he was captured.

Lieutenant Vaughn and the other prisoners were evacuated to Italy where they spent ten months in an Italian prisoner of war camp.

After escaping, Lieutenant Vaughn spent seven more months roaming the hills of Italy before he finally reached the lines of the Allies, who by this time had been victorious in the North African campaign and were well under way with the Italian campaign.

The cast was composed of GIs of Fort Dix.

Costumes and scenery for the show were made of salvaged and nonessential materials under the direction of Lt. Robert Stevenson and Sgt. Al Hamilton. Sgt. Arthur Oakley was stage manager and electrician, who painted most of the scenery. He was assisted by Cpl. Robert Orman and Pfc. Irving Mayer.

The show's orchestra was under the direction of Sgt. Bunny Snyder, who played with most of the notch bands in the country.

## Will Train Aides for Occupational Therapy

FORT DOUGLAS, Utah—A 12-month training course for civilian occupational therapy aides is now being offered at government expense to meet the demands of the Army's huge reconditioning and rehabilitation program for war-wounded soldiers, Maj. Gen. David McCoach, Jr., Commanding General, Ninth Service Command, announces.

The emergency program is being offered at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, and Mills College, Oakland, Calif., under the supervision of the Office of the Surgeon General.

## Colonel Williams Is New Chief of Staff Of Eleventh Armored

CAMP COOKE, Calif.—Col. J. J. B. Williams, an artillery officer who 28 years ago enlisted as a private in the Kentucky National Guard, has been named chief of staff of the Eleventh Armored Division, according to an announcement by division headquarters. He is a former Armored Center Artillery Officer.

Colonel Williams succeeds Col. W. W. Yale, Thunderbolt chief of staff since April, who was appointed commanding officer of Combat Command "B" to replace Col. Thomas N. Stark, who left the division last week for a new assignment.

The new chief of staff served as Artillery Officer of the 1st Armored Corps, under command of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, for more than a year and a half, and participated in the Moroccan, Tunisian and Sicilian campaigns. He wears on his tunic the Legion of Merit, Silver Star and Purple Heart decorations.

### Cooke Oldster Transferred

CAMP COOKE, Calif.—The oldest enlisted man in the Eleventh Armored Division, 1st/Sgt. Edward G. Bowers of Hq. Battery, division artillery, with a record of 29 years and 8 months' Army service since 1914, left the division, transferred to 3rd Corps Special Troops at Fort Ord, Calif.



Signal Corps Photo

WORLD premiere of "Casanova Brown," starring Gary Cooper and Teresa Wright, was presented in Normandy, France. American soldiers and Red Cross workers, before entering the Normandy Theater, stop to read the announcement sign.

## Whole Blood Now Flown To Europe

WASHINGTON.—Whole blood, to the extent of 1,000 pints daily, is to be sent to Europe by air from the Washington and New York Blood Donor Centers in response to an urgent request from the Army and Navy.

This is in addition to the 100,000 pints weekly already being supplied for plasma.

Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, surgeon general of the Army, points out that recent developments in the preservation and transportation of whole blood make it feasible for shipment to the European theater. Previously the whole blood utilized could only be obtained from base troops and civilian donors in the hospital areas.

The whole blood will be used in base hospitals to supplement plasma administered at the front lines.

Lee D. Butler, chairman of the District of Columbia Red Cross Center, said: "How much whole blood will be required will depend on the course of the war. If additional amounts to the 1,000 pints per day asked for now, or the war program is expanded to include other theaters, additional requests will be made."

## Heed Safety Booklet, Joe! Better Be Safe Than Sorry

Private Droop, the soldier who breaks all the safety rules and winds up in the hospital missing the war, is the main character in a new Army safety pamphlet published by the War Department in an effort to reduce the number of off-post accidents which last year resulted in injuries to approximately 80,000 soldiers with a loss of more than 1,500,000 training days.

Titled "Pvt. Droop Has Missed the War," the pamphlet will be handed to each soldier going on furlough after September 4. Printed from text and illustrations prepared by the National Safety Council, Inc., in cooperation with the War Department Safety Council of the Office of the Provost Marshal General, the pamphlet was given a test run recently at Camp Grant, Camp Ellis and Fort Sheridan, in Illinois; Fort Custer, Mich., and Camp McCoy, Wis. Soldiers going on furlough from these camps were given a copy of the pamphlet when they received

## Legion Will Ask Year Of Military Training

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—Compulsory military training of one year for all males between the ages of 18 and 23 years, with subsequent transfer to the reserve, is expected to be asked of the Congress in a bill sponsored by the American Legion in the next session.

Its immediate objective will be the adoption by Congress and the American people of the principle of universal military training before the end of the present war, leaving administrative details to be worked out later.

Under the direction of National Commander Warren H. Atherton, the Legion has started mobilizing all its national defense and legislative forces for the drafting of legislation which will be presented to Congress following the 26th annual national convention in Chicago next September.

Impetus to the American Legion's renewed drive for writing the principle into law now while the need is evident, came with the release by National Commander Atherton of a letter from Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson, himself a Legionnaire. Secretary Stimson frankly declared that the proposed universal military training legislation was the only

practical alternative to maintaining a large standing American Army at a crushing cost to taxpayers.

The late Frank Knox, then Secretary of the Navy, last January gave similar unqualified endorsement to universal military training.

Col. Louis Johnson, of Clarksburg, W. Va., a past national commander of the Legion and former Assistant Secretary of War, as chairman of the Commission on Postwar America, has made public an 11-point program drafted by his commission, membership of which includes industrialists, business men, labor leaders, professional men, governors and farmers.

It was stressed by the chairman that the preliminary report will be enlarged before the convention.

## North African Branch Of Library Operates, But It's Now in Italy

FORT JACKSON, S. C. — The "North African Branch, Fort Jackson Post Library No. 1" gets around!

A former Fort Jackson soldier, Sgt. Maurice Wilcomer, of New York City, now in combat overseas, is founder and sole owner of the battlefield version of the Jackson "bookery." It all started when he received in North Africa from this country a number of overseas editions of popular current volumes and book-eager GIs crowded around to place themselves on his priority lending-list.

Books kept pouring in from various sources at home swelling his already enormous collection until Wilcomer decided something must be done about it. Himself a former employee of the Library of British Information, it naturally followed that a system should be set up, with cataloguing, lending cards and all. Thus, "North African Branch, Fort Jackson Post Library No. 1" was born.

Word received here revealed that the North African Branch is still operating merrily—but now in Italy.

### Gen. Collins Visits Sill

FORT SILL, Okla. — Maj. Gen. Harry C. Collins, commanding general of the noted 42nd Infantry (Rainbow) Division, at Camp Gruber, Okla., was a visitor at Fort Sill last week end. General Collins made an inspection of the 42nd Infantry Division Artillery, commanded by Brig. Gen. John S. Winn.

## Nazi Units Surrender To Their Wounded Prisoners

THOMASVILLE, Ga.—Nazi units defending the Cherbourg peninsula were filled with Poles, Czechs and Russians so eager to yield they insisted on surrendering to their wounded prisoners, according to an American officer who was captured after breaking both legs in a D-day glider crash.

The officer, Capt. O. C. McLean, Jr., of Palmetto, Fla., was rescued by advancing American troops after nine days in a German field hospital. Flown from the beachhead to England, and thence to the United States, he is now a patient at Finney General Hospital here.

"Evidently even then the Germans were very short of men," said Captain McLean. "The units I saw while a prisoner were composed of prisoners forced into service. I got the impression it was 'volunteer' for the Wehrmacht—or face a firing squad."

"Each unit was officered by Germans, and formed around a cadre of tough, professional German non-coms."

"But these officers and non-coms seemed too valuable to be risked. Whenever a situation looked hopeless, the officers and German non-coms were pulled out, and the rest left behind with orders to hold on. They were told that if they left their posts they'd be executed."

"Naturally, they surrendered at the first chance. It didn't matter that we were wounded and prisoners. They surrendered to us, whether we wanted it or not. The great bulk of them were Poles, Russians and Czechs. But there were quite a few Germans among them."

## Awards Are Given Men at Fort Sill

FORT SILL, Okla.—The student regiment of the Field Artillery School honored ten enlisted men recently when they were officially presented the Guadalcanal Presidential citation bar with one star, earned while serving in the American division on Guadalcanal.

Col. Hugh P. Adams, commanding officer of the Student Regiment, made the presentations.

Men who received the bar were: First Sgt. Ben H. Lewis, S/Sgt. John G. Martin, S/Sgt. William G. Simpson, Sgt. Harold W. Gohl, T/4 George S. Swann, Cpl. Howard O. Thompson and Pvt. Tommy Hill.

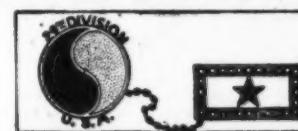
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## Golf Unknown Slips 'Poison' To King Byron

SPOKANE, Wash.—Byron Nelson, one of the greatest golfers of all time and former United States Open and P. G. A. title winner, tasted of the deadly cup of "Golf Poison" Sunday.

The potion was administered by Bob Hamilton, of Evansville, Ind., in the 1944 P. G. A. championship, by 1 up over 36 holes. The rank outsider, who in the betting was 1 to 10, won \$3500 in first prize money. Nelson had to be content with \$1500.

Nelson's upset by "The Unknown" was the most surprising in the history of the big links event, founded exclusively for golf pros in 1916. It even exceeded Tom Creavy's sensational win in 1931 over Densmore Shute.

Hamilton's feat dips into the unbelievable in view of the fact he trimmed an opponent who played 196 holes in 30 under par during the seven-day competition. If the tournament had been at medal play, Nelson would have spread-eagled the field.

At match play, the country's ranking star bowed out but he contributed heavily to his own defeat. Nelson's putter acted as if it had a preeve against its owner. He three-putted the 9th, 16th and 29th holes to lose those three. In addition, he continually missed others on the green which he usually taps in without difficulty when at peak form.



Courtesy "Radio Post," Truax Field, Madison, Wis.

It all began in the days of the gents who wore togas, who philosophized when they weren't quietly but firmly applying scissors holds to each other's necks and who threw the discus with the greatest of ease. What could Truax's own "Graceful Greek", Emmanuel "Mike" Contopoulos, do but bow to the traditions

of his ancestors of the Acropolis and become a wrestler? He began wrestling bananas in his father's fruit warehouse, but abandoned the business world in 1932 to enter the professional wrestling ring. Here he met such masters of the mat as "Jeemy" London and "The Angel."

Mike's part in the sporting scene never for a moment spoiled his love for the so-called "finer things of life." Bits from grand opera thrill him more than a brilliant wrestling hold, and he claims that no one should dwell on the sordid life.

Mike's post-war prediction is that the war with its "toughening" effect will produce bigger and better athletes than have ever been seen before. Supermen indeed will be the Army's discharged athletes.

Mike himself is planning to become an old Kentucky colonel, to sit in the shade of a butternut tree drinking mint juleps and remembering the good old days of ancient Greece and Truax Field.

## Fort Sill Pitcher Is Being Eyed by Giants

FORT SILL, Okla.—Pfc. Bill Ayers is one of the many young ball players now serving in the armed forces who had a career in the major leagues interrupted when his Uncle Sam beckoned. The New York Giants were willing to pay \$30,000 to Atlanta Crackers for him after Bill had won 15 games in the Southern Association last season, but instead of wearing the uniform of the Gothamites this year he's wearing Army khaki as a member of the 85th Division stationed at the Field Artillery School here. The Giants still are ready to take a chance on Ayers when he doffs his uni.

## Role of National Guard and Reserve Being Planned

WASHINGTON—The War Department is taking active steps to prepare plans concerning the role of the National Guard and Reserve components in the post-war army.

The War Department has appointed a general staff committee in accordance with the National Defense Act to prepare policies and regulations affecting the organization, distribution and training of the National Guard.

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## Combat Forces To Get Wider Sports Program

NEW YORK—Aimed to give combat soldiers in all war theaters competitive sports whenever they can take time out from fighting, the Army sports program is to be considerably broadened.

This was the statement of Lt. Col. Henry W. (Esky) Clark, former Harvard football star, recently appointed head of the new athletic branch of the Special Services Division. Just back from a tour of combat areas where he inspected sports facilities.

Declaring the Army will ship approximately 20 million dollars' worth of athletic equipment overseas during 1944, Colonel Clark outlined an expanded sports program which his branch is preparing for the service forces with the aid of a committee of sports experts. This plan, leading to Force, Theater, and Armed Forces championships in various sports, also will be offered to the Ground and Air Forces and the various Theater Commanders.

"A new policy on athletic and entertainment equipment for overseas use was adopted about a year ago," Colonel Clark said. "Formerly it was allotted on the basis of about one dollar a year per man and anyone who wanted more could ask for it. Then a survey determined what was needed and the approximate amount and so much was allocated to each Theater. During the first quarter of this year it amounted to 75 cents per man.

### Will Double Shipment

"Since the beginning of the war about \$20,000,000 worth of athletic and entertainment equipment—to use a round figure—has been shipped overseas, and more than double that amount will be sent this year. Athletic equipment makes up a little better than 50 per cent of the total."

Colonel Clark and Capt. Brown Bolte, who looked over the European and Mediterranean areas while Clark was in the Pacific, agreed that softball, volleyball, boxing, and horse shoes are the principal soldier sports because they require less space and equipment than other games.

The new sports plan under preparation, although it will be topped by big championship tournaments, will be aimed to give the soldiers competitive sports whenever they

can take time out from fighting. "The GI's don't wait for the fighting to end," Clark said. "On Saipan they were watching movies when there still were Jap snipers around. I saw one little island in the Marshalls where there were eight softball and one hardball diamonds and one in the Aleutians has 40 softball fields. And I see they're already making good use of those stadiums Mussolini built in Italy."

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## Four Free-Style Swimmers Marks for Ann Curtis

KANSAS CITY—After taking the 100, 400 and 1500-meter titles in the first days of the Woman's National A. A. U. championship meet, Ann Curtis of San Francisco captured the 800 meters in 11:29.5 on Sunday and became the only woman swimmer to win all four free-style titles.

The other sensation of the meet was Little Leola Thomas, 16 years old, who finished third in the final of the 800-meter swim.

## Forrest 470th Medics Are Softball Champs

CAMP FORREST, Tenn.—The 470th Medics are the undisputed softball champions of Camp Forrest. As champs of the "B" Enlisted Men's League they met the 606 Engineers, winners of the "A" League in a series last week, taking two straight, 8-1, 3-2, to cop the pennant.

In the Camp Officers' League, the Station Complement group won the series over four other teams, with four wins and no losses.

## Tigers Given Chance To Defeat Cardinals

WASHINGTON—With nothing to lose and everything to gain the second division A's and Senators shot the works over the weekend and handed the league-leading Browns a four-straight beating.

Philadelphia got the ball rolling by beating the St. Louis nine three out of four. The Senators decided it was a good idea and bumped them off in a Sunday double-bill. The Browns got back in their winning ways Monday night—but it took twelve innings to beat the eighth place Nats.

Boston, Detroit and New York naturally took great interest in these strange goings-on. Boston is given the inside track on the crown if St. Louis continues to slip, but Detroit is given the best chance of beating the Cardinals in case they drive through to the crown.

### No Great Hurler

Boston has the best-balanced club, with some good sound hitting. But lacks stand-out hurlers now that Tex Hughson is wearing Navy blue.

The Tigers have the best two hurlers in the American League in Dizzy Trout and Hal Newhouser. With 20 wins apiece, the rest of the Detroit staff have to divide credit for the remaining 22 wins.

Newhouser has learned to control his temper as well as his fast ball this year and as a result is the best southpaw in the majors. Trout has been a work-horse and has pitched the most complete games in the majors.

### Mr. Baseball

Mr. Baseball from Philadelphia has made a habit this year of slowing down the first division teams. The A's have split even with Boston, lead Detroit 10 to 9 and are shaded by St. Louis 10-9. Only the Yanks have a bulge with 11 out of 17.

The Senators have a chance for the dubious honor of finishing last with the record high percentage. The club is traveling at a .427 clip. The record, .431, was set by the White Sox in 1924.

Frankie Frisch's Pirates haven't the chance of the proverbial snowball of catching up with the Cardinals, but one would never know it by the brand of ball the Pittsburgh club is displaying.

### Hold Onto Second

Playing smart heads-up ball the Pirates now hold undisputed possession of second place and seem determined to stave off the rushes of the Reds. He was guest of Col. Herbert E. Taylor, Camp Commander.



—Pvt Chas. Cartwright, ASFTC, Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. "We ought to work out a better system—this wastes too much manpower."

# Heavy Load Stops Devil Diver; Paperboy Carries Feather Home

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WASHINGTON—Weight will stop freight and Paperboy proved it by carrying his feather of 103 pounds a victory over some of the nation's best handicap horses in the Saratoga Handicap.

Paperboy had a half-length margin at the end of the mile and a quarter run. The crowd was still cheering heartily but hopelessly for the heavily-weighted Devil Diver, Princequillo and First Fiddle, on whom they had wagered hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Paperboy, with slim Warren Mehrrens up, took the lead at the start and then held on to it as his more heavily weighted opponents challenged and then staggered back under their loads. Alex Barth, with 18 up, tried hard in a grueling stretch run but had to settle for second. Bollingbroke moved up from last, but hung in the stretch, and took third.

#### Weight Hit Them

Princequillo, with 124, bowed tendon and ran sixth, Devil Diver, top-weighted with 133, was seventh and 128-pound totin' First Fiddle eighth. The winner paid a long-shot \$36.80 win price.

Pavot, the sensational two-year-old, found 126 pounds a little difficult to carry, but after George Woolf shook him up at the head of the stretch he romped home to a comfortable three-length win over Great Power in the Grand Union Hotel Stakes.

The winner paid \$2.50 win and \$2.60 place.

The Beverly Handicap at Washington Park went to Traffic Court. Held back throughout most of the race by Jockey Al Bodou, Traffic Court went to the front at the top of the stretch and hung on to beat Mar-Kell by three-quarters of a length. An outsider in the betting, the winner paid \$43, \$14.40 and \$10.20. Show money went to Silvestra. Mar-Kell's second-place share of

the purse enabled the Calumet Farm to break its record single-season total of \$475,091 set in 1941. To date Calumet has won 49 races, 36 seconds and 17 thirds to pile up \$479,850 in purses.

Lucky Draw was just too much horse for the rest of the field in the running of the Jersey Handicap at Garden State.

Wayne D. Wright took his mount out in front and then ran away from the rest of the field to score by an easy three lengths. Megogo was a surprise second and Tex Martin third.

Although not as long-priced on the tote board as Paperboy and Traffic Court, Swiv returned a healthy \$11.80 in winning the Pawtucket Handicap at Narragansett Park.

Rallying from fifth place at the quarter pole Swiv hugged the rail to soundly thrash the favored Mintlock in the stretch. Defense ran third while the front-running Sollure and Bei Reigh faltered and dropped back to fourth and fifth.

\$200,000 Net

Welcome Pass gave his supporters a bit of agony before coming from dead last to first in the General Eisenhower Handicap at Detroit. Beauclair captured the Commando Kelly Handicap and Amber Light the General McNair Memorial Handicap.

Although war names featured the Detroit program, the Saratoga racing program profits for Friday and Saturday were earmarked for war relief and charity. Over \$200,000 was net in the two days.

## Van Dorn Driver Sees Jeep As Future Racing Machine

CAMP VAN DORN, Miss.—Pvt. Mike Levitski, who drives a jeep and other vehicles for Division Headquarters Co., wants to return to auto racing when he leaves the service and his racing machine will be a jeep.

Levitski is confident that with the right kind of going over, a jeep could be made to travel a steady racing grind of 100 miles per hour, a speed sufficient to win long-distance races, he says.

"I got started in auto racing by turning a stock car from the junk pile into a racing model," Levitski points out.

## Camp McCoy Nine Popular

WICHITA, Kan.—While the National Semi-Pro Baseball tournament produced some very good "civvy teams," the service clubs again dominated the tourney both in play and in popularity with the fans.

One of the big favorites with the crowd has been the 76th Infantry Division's nine from Camp McCoy, Wis., which early in the tournament became the idol of the "Bamboula Club," teen-agers organized by the Wichita Community War Chest. "The Bamboulas" literally adopted the 79th team at a reception ceremony and have been most vociferous in their rooting for the McCoy players. And the latter, in turn, whooped it up for their adopters.

Cecil Travis, former Nat, voiced the sentiment of the McCoy team when he said:

"When those youngsters adopted us they showed that despite the turmoil of the world, American youth will grow up to be clean sportsmen—actually it is we who feel honored because tomorrow's America looks to us for leadership and example."

## Drills Open For Ellis Grid Team

CAMP ELLIS, Ill.—Opening drills for the Camp Ellis football team got underway this week.

More than 60 soldiers who have had high school, college, and professional experience are limbering up in their free time for the grueling training schedule ahead. The training program, which was late in getting underway because of the difficulty in obtaining equipment, will be completed in time for the opening game, tentatively slated against Ottumwa, Ia., Air Base on Oct. 1, here.

An eight or ten game schedule is being worked up for the Ellis grididers.

#### Butner to Have New Alleys

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Bowling fans will shortly be given additional facilities for their favorite sport with the opening of two buildings, with six alleys each, on the post.

"At its best that 1936 model Ford could only hit 80. When I and the fellow with whom I bought the car got through giving it two air-cooled heads and dual carburetors, turning down the cam shaft and grinding the valves oversize for faster exhaust, it traveled almost twice as fast. And not until the jeep was worked on could it be ascertained just what it would do."

#### In Army Since 1940

Levitski has been in the Army since 1940, being among the first to enter military training. In and out of the Infantry and in and out of the Air Forces, this is the 14th camp to which he has been assigned.

While working at the Ford plant at Dearborn, Levitski and a buddy pooled their talents and resources for a try at auto racing.

The car they purchased was down at the wheels, figuratively speaking. They cut down certain of its features to lower it to the ground, added a pair of racing tires and installed a remodeled 57 V-8 motor which they plucked off the same junk pile. The overhead cost was \$400.

They raced their two-place job in outlaw events at Flint, Mich., and finished in the money their first four times at the post. Fate took a hand the next time out. Mike's partner prevailed upon him to let him try it alone. He was out front leading the field around the half-mile oval when he went through the fence. The injuries caused his death.

It took Mike some time to regain interest in racing after that. The car was in no shape for it either. Before he could get himself thinking of getting out on the dirt again for the starter's flag, his number was pulled out of the big glass bowl in Washington and Mike was on his way.

Post-War Sports Plans for Youth To Be Job of GI

CAMP ROBERTS, Calif.—Building of sufficient playgrounds for Young America will offer a challenge to the men of the services when they again are civilians, according to Pfc. Ray McGovern in his column in the Camp Roberts Dispatch.

The development of recreational facilities for the youngsters of this country will be a job for which GI Joes will be exceptionally well-fitted, says McGovern. There are not enough baseball fields, football fields, basketball courts, skating ponds, swimming pools, tennis courts and other facilities to take care of one-tenth of the youngsters who would or should engage in sports the year round, given the places to do so, McGovern pointed out.

This, continued McGovern, is a condition that should interest the men now in the United States Service when they return to civilian life. In their careers in the service they have learned the astonishing need of strong bodies and of countless virtues that are to be derived from sports. This need is not just for the war, but for the peace and a better America.

## SPORTS CHAT

LAKE CHARLES FIELD, La.—Col. David A. Tate, who at 30 years of age is one of the youngest colonels in the Army, is an ardent sports enthusiast, being a member of the post golf team and the bowling team. He recently took active part in the christening of the new bowling alleys and the new billiard tables.

CAMP BOWIE, Tex.—When a Cooperstown Hall of Fame is erected for softball players, Bowie enthusiasts feel one of the first to be enrolled should be T/Sgt. George Denier, of the 50th A.I.B., 18th A.D., who recently pitched his third straight no-hit game to beat a favored 49th F.A. Bn. team by 2-0 to take the final of the division elimination tournament.

CAMP WHITE, Ore.—Anything—or just about—can happen in the Army. Post golfers recently played for the championship, with a handsome gold-plated trophy to be presented the victor. S/Sgt. Schultz, of the Station Hospital, was winner of the title, but is minus the trophy, as he was transferred that very night to the new ASF Convalescent Center at Camp Lockett, Calif.

POPE FIELD, N. C.—Sgt. Hank Kacer, of Supply and Maintenance, is a rarity in baseball—lefthanded catcher. Formerly with the Queens Lions, fast semi-pro team of New York City, Kacer came to Pope in mid-June after returning from eight months in New Guinea with the Air Service Forces. It was while out there that he incurred a defect in hearing when a 500-pound Jap bomb landed a short distance from him.

CAMP STEWART, Ga.—The 150 boxing hopefuls of the 10th AART Bn. must be on their mettle at all times in the training activities. Lt. Col. Joseph D. Elsenbrown, commanding officer, is a boxing enthusiast and it's not unusual for him to drop in at the Camp Sports Arena, don the gloves and square off with some of the soldier trainees. The colonel doesn't expect GIs to "pull their punches."

FORT BLISS, Tex.—Wise ring followers are predicting a rosy boxing future for Pvt. Richard Tucker, Indian boy of A-513, AAATC, who rules here as king of the welterweights. To win his crown, Tucker had to beat Harry Demery, of B-575, who three times went to the finals of the Chicago Golden Gloves tourney.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.—Maj. William B. (Red) Reese, coach of the Second Air Force grididers, has booked an impressive schedule which, to date, includes Colorado College on Sept. 9; Whitman College at Boise, Idaho, Sept. 29; Iowa Seahawks at Lincoln, Nebr., Oct. 7; Washburn University at Topeka, Kans., Oct. 25; Fort Warren at Denver, Nov. 11, and University of Washington at Spo-

### Camp Butner Athletic Chief Noted Grid Star

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Former University of South Carolina football star is Lt. William J. Applegate, new chief of the athletic section here. The 6 foot two and 235 pounds of guard was Associated Press All South Carolina, and was mentioned All Southern and All American in the fall of 1941.

The lieutenant had a contract with the top ranking Green Bay Packers in his pocket when in 1942, he signed his contract with the U. S. Army for the duration and six months. At that time he had been drafted No. 2 lineman in the national professional football league.

### Rally Falls Short for Bainbridge All-Stars

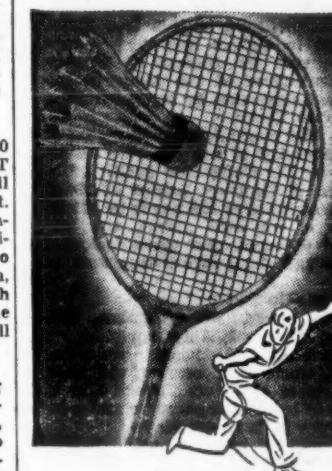
BAINBRIDGE, Ga.—Their ninthinning rally falling short, the Bainbridge Army Air Field All-Stars dropped a 4-3 decision to the Lions, post champions, here Monday. The All-Stars scored once in the ninth and had the bases loaded when they were retired.

kane, Wash., Nov. 16. Six other games will be arranged.

MACDILL FIELD, Fla.—Suggestion that WAC bowlers be given a handicap in league games has brought about much controversy in bowling circles, including a vigorous protest by T/Sgt. Judson C. Herrin, of the "Bomber Command" team, who gives the Janes credit for swell competition, forecasts continued score average increases and says handicaps would be an injustice in that they would involve "an advantage of sex rather than of score."

CAMP LEE, Va.—A perfect softball game, the first in Camp Lee sports history, was pitched by Capt. John Carlson as the 6th Regt. beat the ASFC team. Captain Carlson faced but three men an inning, a total of 21 in seven frames. Lt. Marion Williamson, of ASFC, allowed but one hit, a single by Captain Carlson in the third which drove in the game's lone run.

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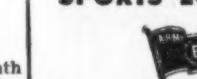


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## 96 Percent of Wounded Recover

## Mobile Surgery Does Wonders

WASHINGTON.—Modern mobile surgery and reconditioning treatment are setting unprecedented records for recovery of the Army's war wounded, the Office of the Surgeon General of the Army announces.

Experience to date has shown that fully 96 per cent of all men wounded on battlefields recover, and of these about two-thirds return to duty.

Mobile surgical units carry hospital equipment to the front lines, permitting immediate operations by skilled surgeons on the battlefield itself or immediately behind it. Thereafter the utmost speed is used in evacuating casualties to hospitals where they receive further surgical care.

When the convalescent period is reached, the Army's new intensive program of reconditioning begins. This includes planned, progressive physical exercise to speed the recov-

ery of strength and stamina. Occupational therapy encourages normal habits, and educational therapy mental advancement.

With completion of the reconditioning program, those who have recovered but do not meet the Army's physical standards for general service may remain in the Army in limited service status or in some cases may return to civilian life. War Department figures for the period from June 25 to July 25 show that 23 per cent of those discharged from hos-

pitals with serious physical limitations, and who were given the option of discharge from the Army, elected to remain in the military service.

Casualties returned to civilian life will receive continued hospital care as required thereafter, it was pointed out, together with opportunity for vocational rehabilitation or academic advancement through study in schools and colleges, depending on circumstances and personal preference.

## Resort Hotels Leased For Men Awaiting Reassignment

WASHINGTON.—Overseas veterans of the Army Ground and Service Forces have begun moving into resort hotels at the new Miami Beach, Fla., and Santa Barbara, Calif., AGF-ASF Redistribution Stations, first of five stations designed to reorient, reclassify and reassign veterans returning for duty within the United States.

Resort facilities have been also leased, the War Department announced, at Asheville, N. C., and Hot Springs, Ark., which will begin to receive their first flow of returned veterans on September 3, and at Lake Placid, Essex County, N. Y., which will open September 8. All of the stations are expected to be in full operation by October 1.

Major part of the troops who will go through the stations will be officers, enlisted men and Wacs returning to the United States under the

Army's rotation program. Also included, however, will be recovered battle casualties and other recovered personnel.

Primary mission of the stations, operated by the Service Commands of Army Service Forces, is to obtain the maximum possible utilization of returned troops in future assignments. This mission is carried out through a painstaking physical and occupational reclassification, mental and physical conditioning, reorientation and reindoctrination, and reassignment to take the fullest advantage of the returnees' combat theater experiences and military qualifications.

These processes are carried out without haste, in the restful environment of resort communities where the men may relax and recover from the strain and tenseness of overseas service.

## Hoyle Up-to-Date' Card Games Book Available to GIs

CINCINNATI, Ohio.—One of the finest publications of its kind, "Hoyle Up-to-Date," which carries the official rules of all card games, has just been printed for its 42nd edition, and 10,000 copies are being made available free to Army Joes and Janes by the United States Playing Card Company.

Announcement of this free distribution to service men and women was made by Allison F. Stanley, vice president of the company, following suggestion by representatives of Army Times.

Its first pages devoted to recital of the ancestry of bridge, with an article by Ely Culbertson entitled "Introducing Contract Bridge of 1943," the book devotes 256 pages to official rules of all card games, the histories of some, and gives technical terms and slang expressions used in play.

"Hoyle-Up-to-Date" covers bridge, poker, whist, luchre, 500, Rums, Zioncheck, American piano, 66, cribbage, 21, hearts, seven-up, pitch, cinch, skat, cassino, old maid and scores of others. Space also is devoted to panguingue, faro and solo, favorites in Western States.

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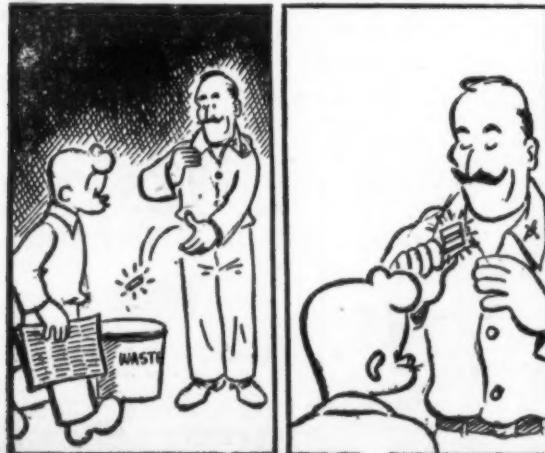
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## Has Finney Job Under Combat-Wounded Plan

THOMASVILLE, Ga.—As a result of the Army's combat-wounded program for veterans of World War II, Pvt. Gareth L. Hooks of Camilla, Ga., is enjoying a 21-day furlough at home and when it is over he will return to Headquarters Detachment 1498th SCU, Finney General Hospital here, in a job of his own selection.

Pvt. Hooks spent 10 months overseas in Africa and Sicily. He was awarded the Purple Heart for "shrapnel wounds in his arm, leg and body received while advancing on an enemy position 10 miles from Messina, Sicily," while a member of a famous infantry outfit.

## Pvt. Goldie Brick



## Fought Nazis and Japs

## 4 Years, Wants More

CAMP COOKE, Calif.—A veteran of Dunkirk, Britain's tragic "victory in defeat," and of Guadalcanal, America's first strike in force at the Japs, one Eleventh Armored Division doughboy still hopes to see further action in this war—and he doesn't care whether it's in combat against the Nazis or the Japs, because he's faced them both.

He is Pfc. James E. Horn, of the 63rd Armored Infantry battalion's Co. B, who since 1939 has fought in two hemispheres in both Canadian and American armies, and has been torpedoed at sea as well. Horn has been a member of the Thunderbolt Division since December, 1943.

A native of Sandusky, Ohio, the Eleventh Armored infantryman left high school in 1935 to join the U. S. Army. He served with cavalry and infantry units, soldiered in Hawaii for a time, then when his first "hitch" was finished, volunteered for service with the Canadian army.

In 1940 he went overseas with the 2nd battalion of the Ontario Tank Regiment, fought through the swift Battle of France and survived the historic Dunkirk evacuation under terrible Nazi shelling. Horn recalls with pride the heroism of the Canadians and British in that memorable flight by sea from the victorious Nazis, especially the valor of England's airforce in giving protection to the mass movement of 320,000 men in little more than 900 craft of all sizes and description.

Discharged from the Canadian army when the United States entered the war, Horn was transferred to American forces, returned to this country and reassigned to the 172d

Inf. Regt., 43rd Inf. Division. On May 18, 1942, his unit was aboard the transport President Coolidge when that former luxury liner was torpedoed and sunk just 75 yards of the New Hebrides Islands. Horn then was shifted to the 35th Inf. Regt., and he reached Guadalcanal in November, 1942.

The Sandusky soldier fought through the winter in the fierce engagements on that island until Americans had wrested complete control from the Japs and on February 27, 1943, he was wounded severely. Following hospitalization in the New Hebrides and New Zealand, he was evacuated to the United States. Further hospital care, including treatment for malaria which he had previously contracted, ensued until December of last year, when Horn was declared to be sufficiently recovered from both battle wounds and malaria to return to active duty.

## Four Receive Awards For Outstanding Duty

CARLISLE BARRACKS, Pa.—Honors were conferred upon four enlisted men of Carlisle Barracks for outstanding service beyond the call of duty during the weekly ceremonial retreat parade on Stark Field.

Brig. Gen. Addison D. Davis, Commandant, personally presented the Silver Star for gallantry in action to T/5 Joseph E. Lolo, of Rome, N. Y.; the Bronze Star to Pvt. George Panther, of Ellensburg, N. C.; and certificates of commendation to Pvt. Frederick Gall of Uniontown, Pa., and Pvt. Francis X. Lynch, of Pittsburgh.

By Sgt. R. Schuller, Camp Pinedale, Calif., Unit of 4th AAF



Cpl. Dean "Doc" Davis, Sheppard Field, Tex.



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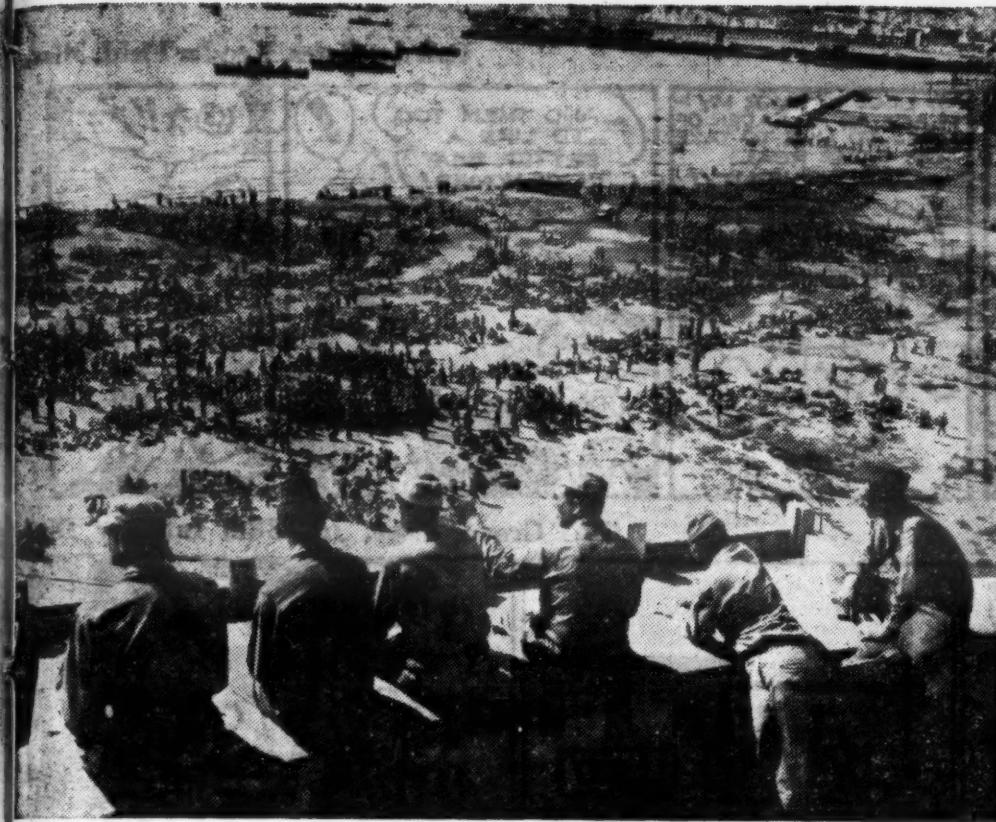
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WITHOUT letup, day and night, men and equipment were loaded into waiting landing craft in Italy bound for the big invasion. Thousands of 3rd Division troops are shown as they sweat out their turn to board nearby craft, while some of the armed forces watch from a high wall.

—Signal Corps Photo

## ALL PRESENT OR ACCOUNTED FOR

A recommendation that a zoo or a circus be started at SMOKY HILL FIELD, Kan., comes along from Pvt. Henry Clayman, of the Base Squadron there. To back up his idea he cites the list of "animals" and such available. For instance: S/Sgt. John F. BEAVER, Cpl. Amos J. D. DEERE, Pvt. Thomas R. FOX, Pvt. Martin B. TAGER, Pfc. Frank WOLFF, T/Sgt. Loether BUCK, Pfc. Garret V. WREN, Sgt. Gordon H. ROBINS, S/Sgt. William H. DRAKE, S/Sgt. Norman W. FISH, and Cpl. Paul FIELDS. Then, to top it all, he submits Pvt. George E. PIGG.

A poster appeared in one of the mess halls at FORT CROCKETT, Tex., which read, "Food Will Win the War." "That's fine," said T/5 Walter Brown, "but how do we get the enemy to eat here?"

For several months Lady Luck has refused to smile on Cpl. Clarence Easterly, of Command Headquarters Squadron, at DANIEL FIELD, Ga., in any game of chance, so he decided to reform. On payday he remarked to a buddy: "This month I won't gamble." "Bet a quarter you do," returned the friend. "That's a bet," said Easterly. Yes, he paid off.

A cute young thing got on the crowded post bus in the first area at SCOTT FIELD, Ill., and planted herself just opposite Pfc. Frank Goodman in one of the front seats. In a minute the soldier got up. Before he could say a word the lady pushed him back into the seat, saying: "Thank you, I prefer to stand." He got up again, and was again pushed down. The third time he stood up, shouting: "Please, miss, let me off, we've just passed my station."

Pfc. George Parsons, of BRADLEY FIELD, Conn., likes his home-grown Burley tobacco, and has a supply sent to him monthly. When it arrives, his friends say, a chew becomes a chaw.

Always willing to oblige on the day room piano is Sgt. Robert Garrett, of TOPERA FIELD, Kan. That is, when he has been well supplied with drinks. No, they're not what you thought, for the sergeant evidences a strong preference for milkshakes.

Friends of Pvt. Steve Campo and Pfc. Sam Grossman, of LANGLEY FIELD, Va., suggest that they had better learn something more about canoeing before they go out in the cranky craft again. It seems they had a swim with their clothes on the other day and had to tow the canoe as well. Worse than that, their WAC friends who were with them say there will be no more dates if

they're going to turn the canoe over. Two privates of the 3045th Graves Registration Company, of FORT WARREN, Wyo., who were taking field training at Guernsey, Fort Warren's outpost in the wilds, say that, while they were ready to mark each other's graves, they weren't quite ready to occupy them—as they came nearly doing recently. When T/Sgt. Charles Dear crawled in beside his bunkmate, Pvt. James R. Bailey, a crackling noise prompted yells for help and a flashlight. The rattler measured five feet and toted an equal number of noise-makers. About the same time Pvt. Nate Rothstein decided that the burning sensation in his arm might not be strawberry rash, and made a dash for a medic. When two fang punctures were found below his elbow he remembered brushing something off his arm while he was asleep. The doctor said that Rothstein had evidently tossed the snake off before any venom was exuded.

T/Sgt. Michael Shomar, of ALEXANDRIA FIELD, was surprised to hear a familiar voice from behind a screen when he went to the dental clinic to have some troublesome molars looked at. "Say, sarge, are you sure you don't owe me any money?" inquired the voice. It was 1st Lt. Bertram J. Martin, Shomar's dentist in his home town, Bridgeport, Pa.

When a GI at FORT GEORGE C. MEADE, Md., didn't like his haircut he frankly asked the barber, Pvt. George Grandinetti, "Whoever told you you could cut hair?" Barber George sighed, and then suggested: "Marlene Dietrich, Ingrid Bergman, Carole Lombard, Ann Sothern, Vera Zorina . . ." and so on. Known as "Antoine of Paris," George was, in his civilian days, maître de coiffure to Hollywood, Park Avenue and Palm Beach, and much sought for consultation on hair problems by the prize beauties of the world.

**Train WACs For Duty As Guards**

CAMP BRECKINRIDGE, Ky.—Members of the Women's Army Corps who may be called upon for certain types of guard duty—such as protecting payroll or mail—are being given 30-calibre rifle marksmanship instruction for the first time at Camp Breckinridge.

Training authorities at this camp also are considering a shotgun familiarization course for the Wacs.

## BOOKS

**"THE PACIFIC—ITS LANDS AND PEOPLES."** By Carpenter. (American Book Co., New York. \$1.40.)

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## Officers Bag Two Bears in Alaska

FORT GREENLY, Alaska.—Men of this Fort often spend their entire seven-day furloughs on fruitless expeditions after the elusive Kodiak bear.

But the hunter's luck recently was with Lt. Col. Frederick S. Hunt, Jr., commanding officer of the Alabamas, and Lt. R. D. Park, also of the Alabamas. The Colonel got his Kodiak, an 800-pound cattle killer, on his first day out, using his pet rifle, a model 70 Winchester 30, with 220 grain Silvertip ammo. The kill was a 4-year-old male, with a hide about nine-feet square, and he was in good shape, having just emerged from hibernation.

Lieutenant Park got his bear a few days later.

## PICKIN' UP PAPERS

Business has been so good with "The Buffalo," official publication of the 92d Infantry Division at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., that it has had to purchase a linotype machine, a new press and engraving equipment and will become fully "home-printed" when the War Production Board gives the okeh for delivery of the machinery. It's announced the "Buffalo's" face will be entirely lifted, but without change of features.

Official mouthpiece of the men of the 13th Armored Division at Camp Bowie, Tex., the appropriately-named "Black Cat," stresses the fact that "it isn't out to educate or reform anyone; doesn't intend to turn out an illustrated training memorandum or a digest of the latest exciting changes in Army Regulations," but will be written by GIs strictly for GIs. One of the paper's interesting features, carried on the editorial page, is "Battle Talk By Men Who Came Back."

"Ground Safety News," is a new publication prepared by Base Ground Safety Section at Boca Raton Field, Fla. Printed by offset process, this four-page periodical is illustrated with reproductions of safety posters and filled with safety news, hints on safe practice, humor and charts. Each Tuesday 5,000 copies are distributed to all sections, flights, offices and shops.

"Flying Time," at the Pecos (Tex.) Field, prints each week a street scene or some public building at Pecos, captioned "Dear Mom" and in which "Joe" gives his parent a travelogue of the town in which he now has his "Army Home," and tells her of the landmarks he visits.

"Bombsight," at Kirtland Field, N. H., has adopted a new format by increasing the page size and materially reducing the number of pages, thus decreasing by 50 per cent the amount of paper stock used. Sgt. Clarence E. Redman explains the change became necessary when he lost his six editorial writers and Base Photo no longer provided the pix. Now, Redman not only is the editor but he's the editorial staff and the staff photographer. In drawing attention to its new attractive dress, Redman points out that in its old form "Bombsight" was rated by Army Times among the first ten GI publications.

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The original booby trap was mistletoe!

Love starts when she sinks into your arms—and ends with her arms in the sink!

The troubles with most tires today is that the air is starting to show through.

A good girl always sticks to "no," A bad girl always "yesses;" A smart girl makes them sound alike And holds them all to guesses.

Getting cuffs on pants won't worry most ex-soldiers. Their biggest worry will be getting pants on the cuff.

Oh, Mary had a little lamb, Whose heart she so preferred; She wouldn't wait and quickly wed A wolf who'd been deferred.

What kind of a worker were you before the war—a clock-watcher or a whistle-listener?

No wonder the little duckling Wears on his face a frown For he has just discovered His first pair of pants are down!

Our language is called the mother tongue—because father seldom gets a chance to use it.

'Twas in a restaurant they met Romeo and Juliet, He had no cash to pay the debt So Romeo'd what Juli'et!

This is the season when some men go fishing. Others do their drinking at home.

A fad that started years ago Has now become much stronger, For every day the women seem To wear their legs much longer.

The average man has a vocabulary of about 5,000 words—that is, until he trips over a footlocker—then he just ad liba.

An old maid born in Vancouver Once captured a man by maneuver She jumped on his knee With a chortle of glee And nothing could ever remove her.

Matrimony is something that the bachelor avoids and the widower escapes.

### Private Van Dorn

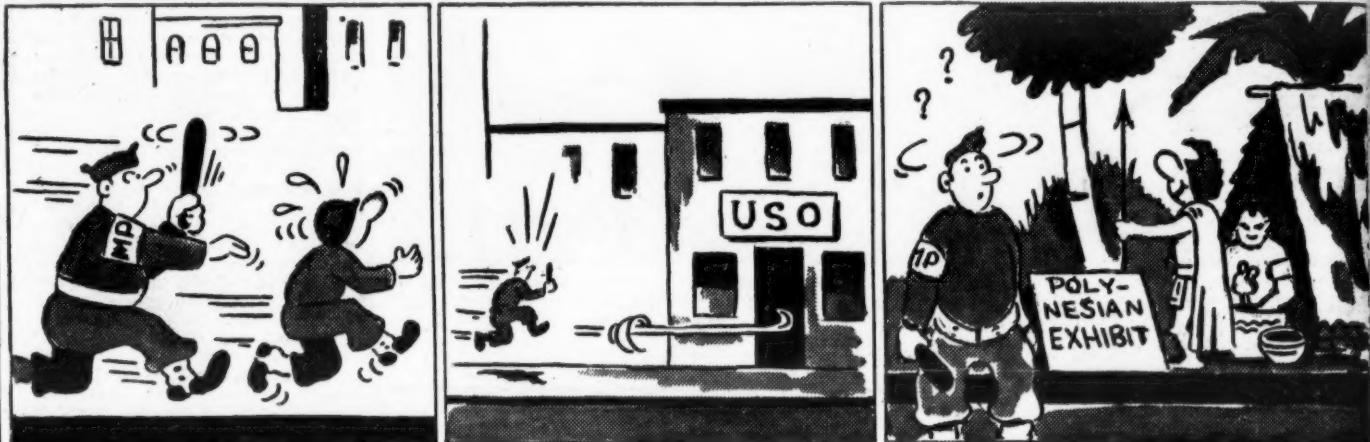


### Giggy



Cpl. Art Gates, Keesler Field, Miss.

### Cyclone Mose



T/5 Grover Page, Jr., 38th Infantry Div.

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## Soldier Shows

"Give me a thousand men who are entertained, rather than ten thousand who have no entertainment."

General John J. Pershing.

In this column the Entertainment section of the Special Services Division contributes items on Soldier Shows which are in some way interesting or outstanding. Perhaps in these items you will find a suggestion which will be helpful to you in producing your show.

### ALOHA ARENA

HAWAII—The entertainment needs of GI's stationed in the Hawaiian Islands are being filled by a very intensive Soldier Show program. Variety is the essence of the material being presented—full-length plays, variety shows, revues, melodramas, etc. These shows are being toured to all island installations, large, small, and middlin', and they are being presented under all conditions of garrison and field. Of particular interest is one project currently underway—the rehearsing of "Personal Appearance" for "arena" presentation. This form of presentation is ideally suited to performances in the field, where stages are not available. The audience sits in a circle around the acting area, and the actors move about so that their lines and business are evenly distributed to all sides of the circle. The circle is broken in one or two places to allow for entrances and exits. "Arena" presentation is readily adaptable to use in any open area where a GI audience can be assembled. Try this one on your bivouac!

### ALABAMA ANTICS

CAMP SIBERT, ALABAMA.—The formal garb of hospital pajamas and robes recently took the stage alongside brilliant costumes of dancing girls in Camp Sibert's Red Cross Recreation Hall when patients and members of the medical detachments produced the somewhat wacky extravaganza, "Sibert Serenade." An Olsen and Johnson atmosphere pervaded the performance as several stooges heckled the performers from the audience. The show was climaxized by a riotous ballet which featured a captain of the medics who zoomed through the air in a colorful costume and with unexpected grace. Aiding and abetting his serpentine diodes were six rugged sergeants rescued from their basin-and-bandage chores for this exhibition of Zorina-esque clodhopping. Outstanding among the vocal and instrumental solos in this show were a Castilian T/5 who sang "Perfidia" in Spanish and the "Camp Sibert Four," a stirring quartet of Gospel singers. In the comedy sketch department was an hilarious number known as "A Night In Section Eight" which brought many laughs when the Reconditioning Group Theatrics depicted a supposedly typical night disturbance in a ward. One patient took off pair after pair of pajamas and ended by disclosing a night shirt. Another brought sounds from an invisible guitar. "Sibert Serenade" has thus been added to the growing and imposing list of shows which attest to the high therapeutic value of Soldier Shows in hospitals.

### PRODUCTION HINTS

BEDSIDE PUPPETS—It takes ingenuity, patience, special skills, and special materials to concoct an elaborate puppet show of the type that Tony Sarg and other puppet-masters used to troupe about the country and exhibit in halls and theatres. Hence it is only natural that a GI in search of small scale entertainment for hospital patients would shy away from the "Sargian" grand scale formula. However, it is an absurdly simple matter for any soldier to stage an intimate bedside puppet show for a bedridden GI. Here's the procedure: Cut out of cardboard a small figure of a man, approximately 6" high. His head, arms, and legs should be separate pieces that are attached to the trunk of the figure by string or thin wire. Sketch in his clothes, eyes, nose, etc., with a pencil or colored crayon. Run three strings (one attached to his head and the other two to an arm apiece) from this little man to a stick about 1" long, keeping the ends of the strings evenly spaced on the stick. Set away one side from a small cardboard carton or wooden box—this will serve as a stage. Place this stage



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'BIG FOOT,' known in his outfit as a crooning canine, joins his mates, Flying Fortress Ordnance men of a B-17 group of the Army 15th Air Force, in a little harmony somewhere in Italy. The yodeling K-9 came up from North Africa.

## Be Safe, Not Sorry, Joe! Read New Safety Booklet

WASHINGTON—"Private Droop," the soldier who breaks all the safety rules and winds up in the hospital missing the war, is the main character in a new Army safety pamphlet published by the War Department in an effort to reduce the number of off-post accidents which last year resulted in injuries to approximately 50,000 soldiers with a loss of more than 1,500,000 training days.

Titled "Pvt. Droop Has Missed the War," the pamphlet will be handed to each soldier going on furlough after Sept. 4. Printed from text and illustrations prepared by the National Safety Council, Inc., in cooperation with the War Department Safety Council of the Office of the Provost Marshal General, the pamphlet was given a test run recently at Camp Grant, Camp Ellis and Fort Sheridan, in Illinois; Fort Custer in Michigan and Camp McCoy in Wisconsin. Soldiers going on furlough from these camps were given a copy of the pamphlet when they received their furlough papers. A

survey showed that a 61 per cent reduction in furlough accidents was effected during the test period.

"Private Droop" is shown in 14 cartoons illustrating 12 simple, off-duty safety rules.

A similar pamphlet, featuring the carefree private with a pet kangaroo, has been published in Australia.

### Quiz Answers

(See "Army Quiz," Page 5)

1. "Mickey Mouse" was the password used by Allied naval officers for admission to their D-Day briefing.

2. C. The War Department reports that American prisoners of war up to July 29, 1944, were 43,205.

3. C. The Seventh Army, under Maj. Gen. A. M. Patch, was the main force engaged in the invasion of Southern France. It was formerly in Italy.

4. Radio, artillery shells packed with leaflets, leaflets scattered from planes, leaflets distributed by patrols.

5. C. The new 76-mm. "hole puncher" has been used with success in the fighting in Normandy and Brittany.

6. A. Florence is 200 air-line miles from the German border. Washington is approximately the same distance from New York.

7. C.

8. B.

9. False. Nisei are children of Japanese parents who were born in United States, hence they are citizens and may enter the Army. Isei were born in Japan and have immigrated to United States, hence may not enter the Army.

10. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff; Dwight D. Eisenhower, Supreme Allied Commander in Europe; Douglas MacArthur, Southwest Pacific Commander; H. H. Arnold, AAF Commander, and Malin Craig, chairman of the Officer Procurement Board.

upon the bedside table, suspend the puppet over and onto the stage, and deliver a monologue as you jingle the stick up and down, back and forth, making the puppet appear to be delivering the monologue with appropriate gestures. If you desire to do a short blackout or skit with two or more persons, simply follow the same procedure of cutting, stringing up, and staging—times two or more. The crude puppet built according to the directions above will not be able, of course, to simulate any elaborate gestures and facial expressions, but he's a good starting point in the development of a puppet program. Try him out—he's sure to give you advanced ideas of puppeteering that you'll be able to experiment with in the future.

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RODEO season being in the offing, RKO Radio appropriately attired Virginia Mayo as a 'Cowgirl-de-Luxe.' Unusual to have these pin-ups wearin' a few things.

## Yanks Crush Nazis

(Continued from Page 1) fighting similar to that of the French Revolution. Patton's armored columns have moved beyond the French capital through Orleans and Sens and are advancing toward the German border so rapidly their movements are at times lost track of.

In the South, Marseilles fell to French forces on Wednesday and the American Seventh Army has swept 140 miles inland from the Mediterranean in a week to capture Grenoble, less than 240 miles from the Allied forces in the North. The fall of Toulon is expected momentarily.

### Similar Picture in East

In the Balkans and on the Russian front the picture of Axis rout is similar.

As a result of Russian pressure Rumania succumbing to the inevitable, has broken her Axis connection, agreed readily to Allied terms and her soldiers are now fighting against the Nazis—as Allied cobelligerents.

Bulgaria has tried vainly to make favorable peace by offering terms which Allied leaders denote as "silly." But it is certain that country will be out of the Axis ranks shortly.

Rumania is still garrisoned by thousands of German troops but any serious defense from these is offset by the presence of two Russian army prongs which are running over resistance in a wild advance.

In the North Russian armies have outflanked Warsaw, leaving the city for later attention, and are a score of miles through the boasted Nazi defenses in that area. In the Baltic region another Russian army is advancing on Riga, forming a net for the Nazi forces which may be left in Latvia.

In Italy Florence is now entirely in Allied hands. Sir Harold Alexander, supreme Allied commander in the

area, explained a week or more of delay in occupying the city as occasioned by operations outflanking the Nazis defending it, so that the Italian art center would not be destroyed. It has been left intact except for the damage done by the Nazis in pillage and some shell fire against the Allied attackers.

The only other activity in Italy has been on the Adriatic coast where Italian and Polish troops have made notable advances to the North.

In the Pacific Kyushu, one of the main Jap home islands, suffered two attacks by B-29 Superfortresses on Sunday, one by night, and another by day, the first daylight air attack on Japan proper since the raid of Gen. Jimmy Doolittle and his B-25 men. Yamata, Kyushurea, Kokura and Moji, all war production or shipping centers, were badly smashed and left in flames.

Repeated attacks on Palau, stepping stone to the Philippines, are neutralizing that Jap stronghold. The Japanese air forces are reported withdrawn from the island.

Smashing air raids have been made on Jap airdromes in the Banda Sea near New Guinea, with special attention being paid to airdromes on Amboina and Liang. Gen. Douglas MacArthur reports that the Japs remaining on Noemfoor have been practically annihilated.

In China the Chinese are fighting desperately south of Hengyang to prevent the Jap seizure of that section of the Canton-Hankow railroad. In Yunan province the Chinese have taken improved positions in their siege of Tengchung.

In Burma what remains of Jap forces in the north are in headlong flight down the Tiddim road, moving so rapidly that the small Allied army in the region finds it difficult to keep in touch with them.

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Inaugurated by the department of Combined Arms, the course is designed to teach field artillermen to "navigate" through a dark night without lights and get to where they want to go. Classes are held at night.

Upon completion of the instruction, students have made their way over rough terrain (1) with the aid of a photo map, (2) by means of a rough sketch showing only hills, ridges and tree lines, (3) with the aid of a luminous compass and without knowledge of the terrain between the starting point and the destination and (4) from memory after being permitted to examine a photograph of the area for only three minutes.

## May Base Discharges On Point System

(Continued from Page 1)  
Honor or Legion of Merit will count four additional points.

5. Each bronze star denoting service in battle will count four additional points.

6. For every child, a soldier will receive eight points.

7. Married men without children will also receive eight extra points.

There are still several important gaps in this program which the Army and the White House have not yet filled in. There still is no special credit for age. However, it is already decided that, because the Army will have a greater need for air men in the Pacific, a separate system will be set up for discharging Air Corps veterans. Of course, the basic point which everybody wants to know is: "How many points will a man need to get out?" That has not yet been determined.

"It has been determined, however, that at the end of the Atlantic war, the Navy does not plan to release any

of its men.

"It can also be revealed that President Roosevelt is anxious to discharge hardship cases first.

"When the President discussed this plan recently with several Senators, they asked him how he planned to handle the problem of policing Germany and other occupied enemy territory after the armistice. He replied that he had hoped to do so by using men who have learned to like the Army, plus professional soldiers who were in the Army before the Selective Service program got underway. He also plans to use men who have had no overseas experience and want to volunteer for it now."

### Organist Will Give Recital

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